



Temple College Faculty Senate

Faculty Senate is a body of elected and appointed Faculty Advisory Council members who work to promote the interests of faculty individually and collectively. Faculty Advisory Council is open to all faculty, offers Faculty Senate strategic and specialized guidance, and provides faculty opportunities to participate in shared governance through committee work.

Faculty Senate Report to the Temple College Board of Trustees August 24, 2026

I. News

- A. The Faculty Advisory Council (FAC) and Faculty Senate (FS) met for the first time under the new configuration Aug. 12, following the All-College Day meeting.
- B. Prior to the meeting, the Faculty Senate President appointed chairs for each “Standing” committee. During the meeting, Faculty Senate took nominees and volunteers to fill vacant positions on “Standard,” “Special,” and “College-Wide” committees.
 - **Standing Committees:** *Standing committees consist of 5 members. The President will appoint a chair from among the elected Senators and a committee member from among the appointed Senators. The chair of the committee will be responsible for soliciting three volunteers from the Faculty Advisory Council to also serve on the committee and for reporting the three Faculty Advisory Council committee members to the Faculty Senate President.*
 - **Barnhart Award Selection Committee** (Libby Barton, Incoming Chair; Erica Perrine, Outgoing Chair)
 - **Elections Committee** (Demeka Simons, Incoming Chair; Ray Stockstad, Outgoing Co-Chair)
 - **Faculty Advancement Committee** (Geoff Lewis, Incoming Chair; Kerry Bekkedahl, Outgoing Chair)
 - **Faculty Orientation Group** (Melissa Green, Incoming Chair; Kimberley Clawson, Outgoing Chair)
 - **Social Committee** (Melissa Green, Incoming Chair; Sandra Melendez, Outgoing Chair)
 - **Ways and Means Committee** (Heather Reeder, Incoming Chair; Ray Stockstad, Outgoing Chair)
 - **Special Committees**
 - **Faculty Concerns Committee:** *8 members, including the Associate Vice-President—Main Campus (AVPM) who chairs the committee, the Immediate Past President (IPP), and one Senator from each division appointed by the President*
 - **AVPM (Chair):** Ray Stockstad

- **IPP:** Erica Perrine
- **BCP:** Vacant
- **FA:** Vacant
- **HP:** Vacant
- **LA:** Vacant
- **NS:** Vacant
- **WD:** Vacant
- **Faculty Development Leave Grant Committee:** *10 members, including the Vice-President, who chairs the committee, the Immediate Past President (IPP), one Senator from each division appointed by the President, and two additional volunteers from the Faculty Advisory Council solicited by the committee chair*
 - **VP:** Sandra Melendez
 - **IPP:** Erica Perrine
 - **BCP:** Vacant
 - **FA:** Vacant
 - **HP:** Vacant
 - **LA:** Kerry Bekkedahl
 - **NS:** Vacant
 - **WD:** Vacant
 - **FAC:** Vacant
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- **Grievance Advisory Committee:** *5 members, including the Faculty Senate President, who will serve as chair. When a Formal Grievance Procedure requires an Advisory Committee, the College President or designee, in consultation with the Faculty Senate President, will select four Senators, two elected and two appointed, to serve on the committee*
 - **Faculty Senate President (Chair):** Christopher Krejci
 - **Elected Senator 1:** TBD if needed
 - **Elected Senator 2:** TBD if needed
 - **Appointed Senator 1:** TBD if needed
 - **Appointed Senator 2:** TBD if needed
- **Satellite and ISD Campuses Committee:** *7 members, including the Associate Vice President—Hutto (AVPH) and Associate Vice President—Taylor (AVPT) who co-chair the committee, one Senator appointed by the President, and four additional volunteers from the Faculty Advisory Council solicited by the committee co-chairs*
 - **AVPH (Co-chair):** Reid Echols
 - **AVPT (Co-chair):** Dan Brown
 - **Senator:** Vacant
 - **FAC Member:** Vacant
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- **Professional Consultation Committee:** *Executive Committee in addition to 4 members appointed by the Senate President to include two Senators and two Faculty Advisory Council members.*
 - **President (Chair):** Christopher Krejci
 - **Vice Pres.:** Sandra Melendez
 - **Secretary-Treas.:** Lisa Keil
 - **Past President:** Erica Perrine
 - **AVP Main:** Ray Stockstad (FA26-SP28)
 - **AVP Hutto:** Reid Echols (FA26-SP27)
 - **AVP Taylor:** Dan Brown (FA26-SP28)
- **College-Wide Committee**
 - **Athletics Committee, 2 Year Term:** *5 total: 3 elected odd years, 2 elected even years*
 - Melissa Machalek, Dental Hygiene (F25-S27)
 - Kim Sebek, Kinesiology (F25-S27)
 - Dan Brown, Government (F25-S27)
 - Vacant (F26-S28)
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 - **Center for Teaching and Learning, 1-Year Term:** *2 total: 1 elected every year (except for this year)*
 - Vacant (F26-S27)
 - Vacant (F26-S28)
 - **Curriculum Committee, 2-Year Term:** *5 total: FS President or designee & 4 faculty, with 2 elected every year*
 - Sandra Melendez, FS President's Rep.
 - Jean Montgomery, Nursing (F25-S27)
 - Geoffrey Lewis, History (F25-S27)
 - Vacant (F26-S28)
 - Vacant (F26-S28)
 - **Educational Services Council 1-Year Term:** *FS President or designee*
 - Christopher Krejci, FS President
 - **Employee Benefits Committee, 1-Year Term:** *2 elected every year*
 - Vacant
 - Vacant
 - **IT Advisory Board Committee, 1-Year Term:** *5 elected every year*
 - Vacant
 - Vacant
 - Vacant
 - Vacant
 - Vacant
 - **Policy Manual Review Committee, 2-Year Term:** *5 total: FS President or designee & 4 faculty, with 2 elected every year*
 - Christopher Krejci, FS President

- Erica Perrine, Nursing (F25-S27)
- Vacant (F25-S27)
- Vacant (F26-S28)
- Vacant (F26-S28)
- **Safety and Security Committee, 2-Year Term: 2 total: 1 elected every year**
 - Nancy Eaton, Nursing (F25-S27)
 - Vacant (F26-S28)

- C.** Faculty Senate expects to have all committee positions filled by Sept. 1.
- D.** During the meeting, Faculty Senate polled Faculty Advisory Council members to help the Executive Committee set an agenda and vision for 2026-27, which is forthcoming.
- E.** In addition to regular quarterly meetings, Faculty Senate will hold “Town Halls” monthly throughout the semester. Town Halls will be informal chats with the Faculty Senate executive officers.