

University Senate Meeting Minutes

April 6, 2026, 3:30-5:00 PM (Hybrid Meeting – Wang Theater & Zoom Meeting)

Meeting called to order by Dr. Brenda Anderson, the University Senate President, at 3:30 PM. A link to the meeting recording will be provided upon request. A motion to approve the agenda and the minutes from March 2, 2026 carried. List of attendees can be viewed on the [University Senate website](#).

Greetings from Brenda Anderson, University Senate President

- The University Senate President [report](#) was presented at the meeting.

[Report from President, Andrea Goldsmith](#) was presented.

[Report from Provost, Carl Lejuez](#). No presentation.

[Report from EVP HSC, William Wertheim](#) was presented.

Q&As/Comments/Concerns:

- Questions and concerns were raised regarding ICE visits and how data stored on university systems may be accessible to police or ICE agents.
- Posting updated protocols for interaction with external law enforcement on the Be Connected website was requested.
- University president:
 - Addressed questions about campus safety protocols regarding law enforcement access, clarifying that only spaces with valid judicial warrants can be entered by police or ICE agents, and that UPD is responsible for verifying warrant validity.
 - Will follow up and provide a researched answer at the next Senate meeting regarding whether the university maintains lists of faculty/students by religious or other protected characteristics, and whether PeopleSoft tracks undocumented status.
 - Will provide a response regarding the possibility of allowing faculty/staff/students to request and access their personal data held by the Office of Enterprise Risk Management through a secure portal.
 - Will work with relevant staff to develop and share more detailed information about what types of information are considered "benign" and thus may be shared with external agencies without notification versus those that require notification before sharing, and provide this to the Senate.

Reports from UUP

- [Report from L. Melious](#) – West Campus UUP President was submitted electronically.
- Report from Bruce Kube - East Campus UUP President - No presentation.

Old Business:

A. Guidelines for Extra Departmental Service: Kathleen DeReisthal (vote)
[Revised Guidelines for Extra-Departmental Administrative Assignments](#) :
Presented and adopted by acclamation.

B. Election of University Senate Secretary / Treasurer
Ahmed Belazi was elected by acclamation to the role of University Senate
Secretary/Treasurer.

New Business:

Meeting adjourned at 5:15 PM