

Oakland University Senate Agenda

Meeting Details

September 18, 2025

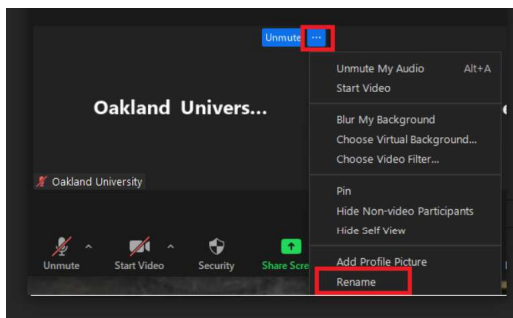
Meeting Time: 3:10 pm

[ZOOM Registration Link](#)

[Meeting Materials and Documents](#)

Senate Voting Tutorial - Ryan Cotter & Kathy Dailey

- Only elected [senators](#) for the 2025-2027 term may vote
- Vote Yes (1) or No (2)
- If you wish to Abstain, simply do not vote
- If you are attending remotely, please rename yourself for voting purposes. To rename yourself-- hover over individual icon (2) click the 3 horizontal dots (3) click "rename" and rename yourself using SEN and first and last name (ie: SENKevinBall, SENKarenMiller)



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- If senators leave the meeting, or join late, they are required to indicate *via* the Zoom chat for the minutes. Your departure or arrival may affect having a quorum that is necessary for a vote.
- If attending virtually and have a question or comment, please raise your virtual hand and turn on your camera.
- If attending virtually please have your camera turned on especially if you are speaking.

1. Official Welcome - President Ora Pescovitz (via ZOOM)
2. Appointment of Senate Parliamentarian - Amy Thompson
 - 2.1. Appointment of Alternate Senate Parliamentarian - Tom Discenna
3. Appointment of Senate Secretary - Amy Thompson
 - 3.1. Appointment of the Alternate Senate Secretary - Bridget Kies
4. Informational Items
 - 4.1. Graduate School Curriculum Submissions
None
 - 4.2. Undergraduate Curriculum Submissions
None
 - 4.3. Combined Graduate School and Undergraduate Curriculum Submissions
None

4.4. Update the Senate Committee (Co)Chairs for the Senate Record - Amy Banes-Berceli

Academic Calendar Development Committee
Tricia Westergaard

Academic Computing Committee
To Be Appointed

Academic Conduct Committee
Greg Thrasher (Co-Chair)
Cynthia Miree (Co-Chair)
Shawn McCann (Co-Chair)

Academic Honors Committee
Hong Qian (Co-Chair)
Lauren Stevenson (Co-Chair)

Assessment Committee
Changis Mohiyeddini (Co-Chair)
Austin Murphy (Co-Chair)

Budget Review Committee
Chaturi Edrisinha

Campus Development & Environment Committee
Tom Raffel (Co-Chair)
Amy Banes-Berceli (Co-Chair)

Classroom Use & Academic Scheduling Committee
Chris Goeth (Co-Chair)
To Be Appointed (Co-Chair)

Community Engagement Committee
Jennifer Lucarelli

Disability & Literacy Committee
Christina Papadimitreou (Co-Leader)
Jo Reger (Co-Leader)

Elections Committee
Sarah Blumer-Schuetz Fall 25 for Tamas Horvath Fall 25 Sabbatical Leave

Experiential Learning Committee
Rebecca Cheezum

Faculty Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion Committee
To Be Appointed

General Education Assessment Committee
Cynthia Carver (Co-Chair)
Thomas Bianchette (Co-Chair)

General Education Committee
Stephanie Mabry Fall 25 for Tim Donahue Fall 25 Sabbatical Leave
Liz Shesko

General Education Program Revision Ad Hoc Committee
Laila Guessous (Co-Chair)
Maria Paino (Co-Chair)

Graduate Council
Brandy Randall

Honorary Degree Committee
Amy Banes-Berceli

Intercollegiate Athletics Committee
Melissa McDonald

Mental Health Ad Hoc Committee
Terry Dibble (Co-Chair)
Jessie Hurse (Co-Chair)

Planning Review Committee
Gerard Madlambayan

Research Committee
Olga Ehrlich (Co-Chair)
Lakshmi Roman (Co-Chair)

Policy 485 Language Review Ad Hoc Committee
Amy Banes-Berceli
Nivedita Mukherji

Service Learning Committee
To Be Appointed

Teaching & Learning Committee
To Be Appointed

University Committee on Undergraduate Instruction
Kristin Landis-Piwowar

4.5. Community Engagement Update - Dave Dulio

4.6. Provost Updates

5. Roll Call - Dikka Berven

A formal roll call will be taken at this meeting:

- If you are in person, please state “Present” and raise your hand.
- If you are attending virtually, when your name is called, please activate your microphone and state “Present via ZOOM.”

6. Approval of [Minutes from May 15, 2025](#)

7. Unfinished Business

None

8. New Business

8.1. **Senate Elections Committee** - Election of the new 2025-2027 Senate Steering Committee (Bridget Kies)

At the first meeting of a new Senate, the Constitution calls for election of six senators to the Senate Steering Committee for a term of two years. The only limitation on electability of senators to the committee is that no more than two may be elected from any one organized faculty. The Steering Committee normally meets twice a month (Tuesday afternoons from 3-5 pm) to set the Senate agenda, refer business to Senate committees and receive reports from those bodies and advise the Senate on governance issues; it also meets occasionally during the summer.

If you wish to nominate someone, please establish in advance that the person is willing to serve and that they are able to attend Tuesday meetings from 3-5 pm. A list of [senators](#) for the 2025-2027 term is available on the senate webpage.

8.2. **Procedural Motion** to staff Senate Standing Committees: Updates and Changes to previous year.

MOVED that the persons outlined on the [attached list](#) be appointed to the committees or positions designated.

8.3. **SUBSTANTIVE MOTION** from the Senate Intercollegiate Athletics Committee to change the membership of the committee to better support the student-athlete experience at Oakland University. (Amy Banes-Berceli for Melissa McDonald)

MOVED to change the membership of the Senate Intercollegiate Athletics Committee as presented.

First Reading: Amendable, debatable eligible and not eligible for final vote at this meeting

Comment: Request to the Senate Steering Committee

Proposed Changes to the Senate Intercollegiate Athletics Committee

9. Good and Welfare

Adjourn