

**LSU Faculty Senate Policy Committee Meeting
February 5, 2025
11:00 AM, Room E234 Howe-Russell Kniffen Geosciences Building,
Louisiana State University**

Minutes

Committee Members in Attendance

Ravi Rau
Jeffrey Roland, Secretary
Jonathan Snow, Chair
Daniel Tirone

Committee Members Absent

None

A regular meeting of the LSU Faculty Senate Policy Committee convened at 11:00 AM on Wednesday February 5, 2025 in room E234 of the Howe-Russell Kniffen Geosciences Building on the LSU campus in Baton Rouge. All four committee members were present and there were no guests and no public comments. Minutes from the prior meeting on December 17, 2024 were approved following a motion by Rau.

Committee first discussed revision of PM-23 provided by Ryan Landry. Committee agreed that easily fixed grammatical errors, typos, and inconsistencies of usage previously noted by Roland should be corrected (if for no other reason that allowing them to persist in a PM makes the University look bad). Discussion of coming need to revise PS-36NT in light of new PM-23 followed.

Committee then discussed the status of AAUP censures, and in connection with this a need for clear policy on removal from teaching. Committee agreed that the Levy situation, regardless of what one thinks of the substance of that case, has revealed serious procedural issues that must be addressed in policy. AAUP identifies removal from teaching as a serious sanction of a faculty member. So we need much clearer policies governing how and in what circumstances this can happen. It was noted that PS-15 is relevant to removal from the classroom and the University appears to have acted in violation of it in removing Levy from teaching. Committee agreed that policies on this serious sanction need to be fleshed out, clarified, and followed.

Committee ended the meeting with preliminary thoughts on how to approach restructuring the system of Faculty Senate committees. Information will be solicited from current committee chairs to help identify shortcomings of the existing structure.

N.B. Agenda item VIII was covered in foregoing discussions.

Meeting adjourned at 12:13 PM following a motion by Roland which passed unani-
mously.

Jeffrey Roland, Secretary