



Faculty Assembly-Senate Joint Meeting Agenda

May 12, 2026, 11:00 am

In person, Frederick Douglass Library Auditorium

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I. Welcome and Call to Order

- **Dr. Leslie West**, Faculty Assembly Chair-Elect

II. Approval of the April Faculty Assembly Minutes

- **Dr. Masoud Moghaddam**, Faculty Assembly Secretary

III. Introduction of the Elected Officers for 2026-2027 Faculty Assembly (*5 minutes*)

- **Chair-Elect:** Dr. Masoud Moghaddam
- **Secretary:** Dr. Aaron Persad
- **Parliamentarian:** Mr. Joseph Bree
- **CUSF Representatives:** Dr. Lily Tsai
Dr. Patrice Ayotunde

IV. Administrative Updates (*30 minutes*)

- **Dr. Heidi Anderson**, UMES President
 - UMES Updates
- **Dr. Rondall Allen**, UMES Provost
 - Student Evaluation of Instruction Tool - led by Dr. Namwamba; **Needs Voting**
 - UMES Draft AI Policy - led by Ms. DiRusso; **Needs Voting**
- **Mr. Wade Henley**, UMES Vice President for Administration and Finance
 - Budget updates
- **Dr. Reginald Garçon**, Associate Vice President for Student Records & University Registrar

- Commencement
- Summer Projects - Catalog updated, Semester by Semester major breakdowns, Review of Transfer Equivalencies for ARTSYS project

V. Faculty Assembly (*15 minutes*)

- **Standing Committee Updates**
 - **Communication Committee**
Chair Dr. Xi Zheng, Department of Rehabilitation Services
 - **Academic Committee**
Chair Dr. George Ojie-Ahamiojie, Department of Hospitality and Tourism
 - **Approval of New Programs**
 1. Post-bac Doctor of Pharmacy & USM and MHEC - UMES Online Doctor of Pharmacy - Reviewer: Dr. George Ojie-Ahamiojie
 2. PhD - Food and Agricultural Sciences Program (Non-substantive Modification) - Reviewer: Dr. Lakeisha Harris
 - **Faculty Concerns Committee**
Chair Dr. Etahe Johnson, Department of Computer Science and Engineering Technology
 - **Council of University System Faculty**
Rep Dr. Leslie West, Department of Business, Management and Accounting & **Dr. Weiwei Zhu-Stone**, Department of Computer Science and Engineering Technology
- **Discussions, Announcements, and Future Business**
 - Dr. Cynthia Cravens – ITLC Conference
 - All Faculty

VI. Welcome

- **Dr. Erinn Tucker-Oluwale**, Senate Chair

VII. Approval of the February Senate Minutes

- **Ms. Veronica Fosque**, Senate Secretary

VIII. Introduction of the Elected Officers for 2026-2027 UMES Senate (5 minutes)

- **Chair:** Jada Wilkinson
- **Vice Chair:** Dr. Masoud Moghaddam
- **Secretary:** E. Wayne Omagamre
- **Parliamentarian:** Zachary Lasson

IX. Updates from UMES Marketing

- **Mr. Robert Vickers,** Vice President for Strategic Communications and Marketing

X. Adjournment

- **Dr. Erinn Tucker-Oluwole,** Senate Chair