

**University Senate Agenda
November 3 , 2025**

Topic: University Senate

Time: November 3, 2025 3:00 PM Eastern Time (US and Canada)

Zoom link: <https://esu-online.zoom.us/j/92970884326>

1. Roll Call
2. Approval of October 2025 Minutes
3. University President's Report
4. Fix the Agenda for the meeting
5. Middle States Update (moved up due to a 4:00 obligation): Michael Sachs, Kizzy Morris, Christopher Dudley
6. Committee reports – status updates
 - a. Executive Committee-
 - b. Academic Affairs
 - c. Rules and By-Laws-
 - d. Budget, Finance, and Planning-
 - e. Campus Life and Inclusive Excellence Committee-
 - f. Research-
 - g. Parking Committee Representative: Marguerite Carver
7. Student Government Association Report (Amayah Cox)
8. Old Business
 - a. Committees
9. New Business
 - a. University Senate Orientation: voting members, ex officio members and designees, committees
 - b. Meeting Dates 2026-2027
 - i. September 14, 2026
 - ii. October 5, 2026
 - iii. November 2, 2026
 - iv. December 7, 2026
 - v. February 1, 2027
 - vi. March 1, 2027
 - vii. April 5, 2027
 - c. Proposal: Change #2 of the Way of the Warrior to read "Committed to self-growth and intellectual curiosity"

- i. The Way of the Warrior can be found
https://www.esu.edu/about/history_beliefs/way_of_the_warrior.cfm
 - d. By-Law Change: Leaves of Absence (See Below)
 - e. Constitutional Proposal (See Below)
- 10. Open Discussion
 - a. Director of Assessment and Accreditation, Meagan Mielczarek
 - b. Budget Finance Presentation: Donna Bulzoni
- 11. Announcements
- 12. Adjournment

1) ByLaws: Leaves of absence

- Add to bylaws, section II.J (language for “leaves of absence”):

When an elected or appointed senator is out on an extended but temporary absence from senate activities, their sending group or department may select a replacement using the same process as the original selection. The group must notify the Senate President at least one week in advance of the absence, providing the replacement’s name and expected duration of the appointment.

1) Constitutional Proposal

Section 8.8

The Senate may hold meetings by videoconference or teleconference if approved by the Senate or when deemed necessary by the executive committee. Such meetings must allow all members participating to hear each other at the same time, seek recognition, obtain the floor, and submit motions in writing, and provide a means to determine the presence of a quorum, and to take and verify votes.

To obtain the floor during videoconference or teleconference meetings, one must be recognized by the Senate President or their designee.

Members shall refrain from using the group chat for side conversations while another member has the floor. The chat function may be used to provide contextual information directly relevant to the discussion only with recognition from the Senate President or their designee.