

Pierpont Community and Technical College

Faculty Senate Meeting

Friday, February 13th, 2026

ATC 216

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I. Roll Call

<i>John Adair</i>	<i>Ironda Campbell</i>	<i>Lisa Foster</i>	<i>Bryanna Ordiway</i>
<i>Anthony Anobile</i>	<i>Janet Cole</i>	<i>Nick George</i>	<i>Erika Rush</i>
<i>Lori Barrett</i>	<i>Natalie Sypolt</i>	<i>Brad Gilbert-absent</i>	<i>Elliott Stricklin-absent</i>
<i>Les Boggess</i>	<i>Stephanie Flaherty</i>	<i>Jack Lowe</i>	

Faculty Representatives Present

*Business, Aviation, &
Technology:*

*General Education &
Professional Studies:*

Susan Coffindaffer

Health Sciences:

ACF Representative:

Terri Armentrout

BOG Representative:

SGA Representative:

Attending Deans:

Jennifer Ellison, Kari Coffindaffer,

Faculty & Guests:

Michael Waide, David Beighly, Dale Bradley, George Perich,
Nancy Parks

Call to Order

Senate President Anobile called the meeting to order at 1:02 pm in room 216 of the Advanced Technology Center. No virtual meeting option was available per Senate President Anobile's request for in-person attendance to this meeting. Quorum was established and attendance was taken using roll call. Order for the day was established on the agenda.

II. Welcome by the President

A. Senate President Anobile welcomed everyone to the February meeting.

III. Minutes of Previous Meeting(s)

A. Corrections to / Approval of Nov 14, 2025, Faculty Senate minutes.

1. Nick George motioned to approve the minutes. John Adair seconded the motion. Senate President Anobile called the vote which passed unanimously.

IV. Senate President's Report

A. President Anobile reminded senators and faculty of basic procedures:

1. Try to find a proxy if they cannot attend a meeting
2. Follow Robert's Rules
3. Committee chairs should send an agenda prior to committee meetings to all committee and ex-officio members and prepare meeting minutes after each meeting
4. Remember that Standing Committees are required to meet monthly, but can meet at other times outside of the scheduled meetings
5. Committees should be working on creating timelines for normal committee business if a timeline does not already exist

B. Plan to attend First Friday educational sessions, which may also be scheduled on additional Fridays in the month based on needs.

1. The Blackboard Accessibility training this morning was not well attended, with only three faculty participating
2. It was confirmed that additional accessibility training sessions are planned, after a question by Natalie Sypolt.

V. Administrative Reports

A. President Michael Waide offered thanks to faculty for hard work during the first three weeks of the semester and reminded everyone about 4-week grade/early alert reporting

1. The BOG had a special meeting on Wed 2/10 to approve of the new Pierpont logo design. Option 2 was recommended by the committee (logo without leaf). Plans for rollout of logo changes will be shared.
2. Preparations for the next HLC visit are already being worked on by Olivia Boltz. A full report is due in July 2027 with on-site visit in September 2027.
3. The President's Council has been working on budgetary items and prioritizing requests.
4. The BOG reviews all fees and tuition in March and the full budget in May. They are planning for flat enrollment growth.
5. To raise scholarship funds through the Pierpont Foundation, faculty should contact Kathy Hypes for more information and ideas. Several programs have events scheduled, with April 1 planned as Day of Giving.

B. Provost David Beighley- (copy available in the TEAMS Feb mtg folder)

1. A new Coordinator of Dual Enrollment and Transitional Education, Lauren Janotta, has started and will be reaching out to instructors
2. The General Education assessment timeline is being reviewed for personnel gaps due to position changes
3. Dr Robin Strader is looking at policies for creation of an Online Learning Handbook
4. 5 year program reviews will be presented to the Academics Committee of the BOG in March
5. School Initiatives currently include:

- a. Reviewing of Essential Functions to identify best practices. Programs can work with Suzan Clemens to create a template.
 - b. Creation/revision of program handbooks, looking for items in need of update, such as removal of references to FSU.
 - 6. The first CCT conversation during Professional Development Week went well. More conversations/meetings will be scheduled.
 - 7. eLearning provided Blackboard accessibility training dedicated to each school during Professional Development Week, with more training sessions to be scheduled.
 - 8. Respondus lockdown browser is available and has been maintained for the whole college. Respondus Monitor is currently only required for a small group of students, mostly for A&P classes. The Provost is looking at ways that this application could be used for additional student populations to better justify the large cost of the software.
 - 9. Dual enrollment procedure reviews are being conducted
- C. Finances- Dale Bradley reported that construction on the third floor is moving forward with an expected date of completion at the end of March
- D. Human Resources- George Perich-no report
- E. Student Services report- Nancy Parks reported on Spring 2026 enrollment, which is down from Spring 2025 at this time.
 - 1. Many student activities are planned this semester, with a new student organization for First Generation Students
 - 2. Required anti-hazing prevention and safety training for all faculty and students will be sent through Vector.
 - 3. Student who apply for WV Invests have several requirements to complete: drug testing before the semester starts and community service after the semester starts. Any students needing community service can contact Nancy Parks right away for an opportunity to complete service hours helping clean out a classroom.
- F. Career and Corporate Training- Joni Gray-no report

VI. Faculty Representation and Committees

- A. ACF Report: Terri Armentrout (copy available in the TEAMS Feb mtg folder)
 - 1. The ACF met on Jan 23, 2026; next meeting Feb 24, 2026
 - 2. Bill of interest: SB 551 would restore voting rights for faculty, staff, and student BOG members, with priority given to getting the voting rights back for students first.
- B. Board of Governors Report: Vickie Findley (copy available in the TEAMS Feb mtg folder)
 - 1. BOG did not meet in January due to inclement weather
 - 2. A special meeting was held on Wed Feb 11, 2026, to approve the brand refresh before updates to the college website and ordering of signage for the third floor.
 - a. Option 2 was approved (blue colors, no leaf)
 - 3. The Presidential Search committee completed the first round of interviews of eleven candidates. Three finalists will participate in campus interviews in the first week of March.

C. SGA Report: Hayes Raudenbush, Student Government President-no report

D. Committee Reports-

1. Admissions and Credits: Andrea Wamsley-Barr (copy available in the TEAMS Feb mtg folder)-

- a. The committee did not meet in Jan, however, student appeals are being reviewed and voted on as they are received, with appropriate approval or denial letters being sent.
- b. A list of student appeals for the Spring 2026 semester will be placed in the drive

2. Curriculum: Susan Coffindaffer-See new business

3. Faculty Development & Welfare: Terri Armentrout

- a. Faculty award nominations will be sent out as normal and recipients identified
- b. The Faculty Award's ceremony will be separated from the student awards ceremony this year and will be moved to the fall semester.

4. General Education: report by Debra Lupica-Scott (copy available in the TEAMS Feb mtg folder)

- a. The Committee submitted recommendations to achieve a full circle of assessments this academic year
 - 1) Gen Ed rubrics will be reviewed
 - 2) The Committee will send a representative to school meetings to explain the assessment
 - 3) The Committee expects the Provost to schedule dates with the Deans to analyze Territorium Reports
 - 4) The Committee expects the Provost to determine storage location for Gen Ed Assessment data for easy future access and to identify the person responsible for updating it.

5. Media & Learning: Natalie Sypolt-no report

6. Online Learning report: Erika Rush

- a. Accessibility training for each school was provided during Professional Development week, with ongoing training sessions scheduled.
- b. The Committee recommends the development of an Accessibility Checklist for faculty and the opportunity for the committee to review the Academic Syllabus template for accessibility prior to its distribution to faculty.
- c. Based on the committee work performed on OER, the committee recommends that the Media & Learning Committee assume responsibility for OER charges, since OER concerns all course delivery methods. The committee suggests that the charge also includes development of institutional OER goals and collaboration with Melissa White, Pierpont OER Ambassador.

7. Personnel Committee: will be meeting next week and will have faculty promotion recommendations ready to go to the President

VII. Old Business –

- A. Respondus online monitor availability for A&P students-See Provost report
- B. IT support concerns at Aviation Center should be communicated to Chief Information Officer JT Bowers. QR codes have been posted for customer service feedback comments from students.
- C. CCT discussion update- concerns from faculty should be forwarded to the Faculty Development and Welfare Committee, who will be sending out a survey to collect questions for CCT
 1. Ironda Campbell asked how it is determined which courses are pulled to CCT.
 2. Erika Rush asked if CCT programs were included on the annual viability report. There is not a process for CCT program viability yet.

VIII. New Business – Curriculum Committee proposal

- A. Four curriculum proposals were discussed:
 1. 25-26-16 SCY 2995 course inactivation
 2. 25-26-28 ITTP 2211 Educational Interpreting II, new course
 3. 25-26-31 APPD Fashion Fundamentals Skill Set Program Inactivation
 4. 25-26-31 APPD Textiles Skill Set Program Inactivation
- B. After discussion of all proposals Les Boggess made a motion to vote on all proposals as a group. Stephanie Flaherty seconded the motion. Senate President Anobile called the vote which passed unanimously.
- C. Erika Rush made a motion to approve all four proposals as a group and Ironda Campbell seconded the motion. Senate President Anobile called the vote which passed unanimously.
- D. Committee selection for 2026-2027 is underway, with Committee on Committee members looking to fill committee spots in their respective schools. Secretary Rush will update the list when completed.

IX. Open Forum and Discussion

X. Announcements:

- ~~A. Feb 23 - Café 74 ribbon cutting ceremony, Middletown Commons *postponed*~~
- B. Feb 24- Regular BOG meeting
- C. Week of Mar 2-onsite Presidential Search Interviews
- D. Mar 13- Faculty Senate meeting, Middletown Commons
- E. Mar 16- Priority registration for Summer/Fall 2026
- F. Mar 19-Regular BOG meeting
- G. Mar 19- General registration for Summer/Fall 2026
- H. Mar 28- Aviation Technology Elimination Dinner, Bridgeport Conference Center; contact Brad Gilbert or Kathy Hypes for tickets
- I. Apr 18-Culinary Elimination Dinner, Knights of Columbus

- J. Apr 23-Phi Theta Kappa Induction Ceremony, 5:30pm, Middletown Commons
- K. May 8-Graduation, Robinson Grand Performing Arts Center, Clarksburg

XI. Adjournment

- A. With no further business or announcements, a movement was made by Les Boggess to adjourn and seconded by Ironda Campbell. President Anobile called the vote which passed. The meeting was adjourned at 3:07 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Erika Rush

2024 – 2026 Pierpont Faculty Senate Secretary