

**LSUS Faculty Council**  
**Minutes of the Meeting**  
**Friday, April 28, 2023, 11:00 a.m.**  
**Zoom**

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**I. Call to Order: 11:03**

**II. Present: 22**

Chancellor's report:

Chancellor Clark gave a Science Building update. He reported that water in the basement could cause power outage after the sump pumps failed. The emergency evacuation was merely an aversion tactic but caused alarm because the nature of the emergency was unclear. He learned that better messaging in emergencies is needed. There are plans to put sensors in the basement of the Science Building to alert when flooding occurs. He said the problem was addressed quickly, no damage to equipment, no one was hurt, and lessons were learned.

**III. New Business:**

- Faculty Handbook Revisions—made by Instruction and Professional Development Committee and approved by the faculty senate in April meeting. Discussion ensued. It was pointed out that at times faculty are held to this syllabus as a contract, but students are not. The question was asked whether faculty could rely on enforcement. The question was not addressed. Concern was raised about proctoring both on campus and remotely, ADA, student services, and Title IX in the syllabus. Concern was raised about the Learning Management System (LMS) expectations. Concerns were expressed regarding grades in Moodle. Third-party add-ons should be explained in the syllabus, including third-party technical support. Concern was also expressed about not requiring faculty and students to use the LSUS-approved LMS, and about student confidentiality when using third-party sites where grades are included.
  
- Approval of revisions to Faculty Senate/Council Constitution and Faculty Senate By-laws—President Garcie presented proposed revisions to the Faculty Senate By-laws and Constitution amendment to reduce faculty council meetings from two to one when approving amendments. There was no discussion.

**IV. Adjournment:** There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 11:59 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Laura L. McLemore, Secretary