

University of Florida College of Journalism and Communications
Faculty Senate

Meeting Minutes

November 17, 2025 on Zoom

1. **Call to Order**

- Meeting started at 10:32am
- Faculty senators present: Abramson, Alexandrino, Bridis, Bucan, Esterline, Johnson, Nall. Also present: Brown, Kiousis.

2. **Approval of Minutes**

- Alexandrino moved to approve minutes from November 3. Seconded by Bucan. Motion passed.

3. **Announcements and Updates**

- Johnson gave a reminder on the International Potluck Lunch on November 18.

4. **Continuing Business**

- Johnson gave short updates on the 2026 Election Committee and Constitutional Review Task Force.

5. **New Business**

- Johnson gave an overview of the curriculum proposals that would be introduced and voted on at upcoming all-faculty meetings.
- Kiousis gave an update on the new syllabi submission and course material accessibility requirements. The Spring 2026 semester would be a soft launch for the requirements to submit syllabi 45 days in advance, and to implement ADA accessibility standards into course materials. The college will offer a training on transitioning to ADA compliance. Johnson asked about repositories for submitted syllabi, and Bridis asked about video transcription.
- Johnson initiated a discussion about the impact of Thanksgiving Week on the academic calendar, with many years only having three regular days of instruction between the holiday week and Reading Days. Bucan, Nall, Bridis, and Kiousis shared their experiences.

6. **Confirmation of Next Meeting Dates and Times**

- December 5, 2025, at 10:30 in Gannett Auditorium and Zoom (all-faculty)
- January 14, 2026, at 11:30am on Zoom (all-faculty)

7. **Adjournment**

- Johnson adjourned the meeting at 10:53am.