

Report of the Part-time Faculty Committee

November 2025

The Part Time Faculty Committee met on Monday, November 3 at 3:30 PM on Microsoft Teams.

Chair Report: Roy gave an update on his meeting with the Redbook Committee (Oct. 20) regarding our proposal. The committee had a few questions and then agreed to support the proposal. The proposal as revised by the Redbook Committee is found below:

Sec. 4.1.2 Part-time appointments

Proposed Addition highlighted in red:

Part-time faculty shall be appointed by contract to teach specified courses or to engage in specified instruction, research or service less than full time for a designated period. *A specific category of part-time faculty are Part Time Lecturers (PTLs) who are paid by the course and typically do not have non-teaching-related responsibilities. Unless otherwise noted, references in this document to part-time faculty shall be understood to include PTLs.* No such appointment, continuation, or renewal thereof shall result in acquisition of tenure or implied renewal for subsequent periods. Part-time faculty may qualify for certain benefits as authorized by the University. Part-time faculty may be elected to the Faculty Senate and may be appointed or elected to University or unit committees as specified by contract, University or unit personnel documents. Such service shall be accounted for and recognized in the individual contract. Part-time faculty shall hold rank according to education and experience. Part-time faculty shall have an appeal process as provided for in the terms of appointment.

This proposal was also discussed at the Executive Committee and will come before the Faculty Senate at the November 5, 2025, meeting for a first reading.

Roy also updated the committee on the Combating Antisemitism Policy and Viewpoint Neutrality Policy.

Joe gave an update on his work on the Ad Hoc Committee on a Statement Regarding Higher Education. The committee is working on a draft statement which will come to the full Faculty Senate.

Lynda had her first meeting with the Committee on Committees and Credentials. She noted that the committee is aware that one of its tasks is to conduct an audit of all Faculty Senate committees, something which has not been happening.

Jordan Aikin, Coordinator of Part-time Lecturers, reported that as far as she was aware, part-time faculty processes regarding hiring and benefits have been working smoothly.

Respectfully submitted,

Roy Fuller, Chair

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October 2025

The Part Time Faculty Committee met on Monday, October 13 8 at 3:30 PM on Microsoft Teams.

Chair Report: Roy indicated that our proposal to change the Redbook section on part-time faculty was to be addressed by the Redbook Committee at their upcoming October meeting. Roy participated in a meeting with other interested parties from the Music School who are planning to develop a recognition program for PTLs in the Music School. The hope is that their program can become a model for a larger recognition program for all PTLs across the university.

Several committee members are serving of Faculty Senate committee:

Joe Gutmann – Ad Hoc Committee on Statement on Higher Education

Lance Gibson – Ad Hoc Committee on Reapportionment of Faculty Senate

Lynda Mercer - Committee on Committees & Credentials

At Joe's request, the committee discussed our desire to the see the Faculty Senate make a statement about the state of higher education in the United States.

Jordan Aikin, Coordinator of Part-time Lecturers, reported that as far as she was aware, part-time faculty processes regarding hiring and benefits have been working smoothly. Jordan sends emails to new hires making them aware of resources for part time faculty.

Respectfully submitted,

Roy Fuller, Chair