

Orientation: Senators, Senate Meetings, and Shared Governance



Shared Governance

Senate Membership

Senate's Role

SEC

Committees

Senate Meetings

Protocol

Questions ?

Shared Governance

- Shared governance at the University means governance shared among faculty, staff, students, and administrators at all levels, and includes forming and articulating a vision for the University.
- Representatives from all constituencies (faculty, staff, students)
- Senate works closely with the administration as "partners"

Organizational
Structure

Leadership

Composition

Senate

- Tenured/Tenure-Track Faculty = 107
- Professional Track Faculty = 32
- Staff (Exempt - 16 & Non-Exempt - 8) = 24
- Undergraduate Students = 29
- Graduate Students = 10
- Single Member Constituencies (1 rep each) = 7
 - Part-Time Research, Part-Time Teaching, Adjunct, and all Visiting Faculty
 - Emeriti Faculty
 - Head Coaches
 - Post-Doctoral Scholars, Post-Doctoral Associates, Junior Lecturers, and Faculty Assistants
 - Contingent II Staff
 - Part-time Undergraduate Students
 - Part-time Graduate Students
- Deans = 15
- **Total = 224**



Senate's Role

- The Senate advises the President of the University
 - Policy Matters
 - Guiding Documents for the University (Strategic Plan, Climate Action Plan etc.)
 - Academic Programs (General Education Program, Program Changes etc.)

SEC

- Subset of the Senate
- Elected Senators
- Gateway to the Senate
 - Review proposals to determine if they should be charged to a committee
 - Review committee reports to determine if they are ready to go to the Senate

Composition

Role



Committees

- Academic Procedures & Standards (APAS)
- Campus Affairs
- Educational Affairs
- Elections, Representation, & Governance (ERG)
- Equity, Diversity, & Inclusion (EDI)
- Faculty Affairs
- Programs, Curricula, & Courses (PCC)
- Staff Affairs
- Student Affairs
- Student Conduct

Composition

Role

Senate Meetings

- Monthly meetings during academic semesters
- Run by the Senate Chair
- Materials are sent out 1 week in advance so Senators can come to meetings informed and prepared for discussion
- Senators receive informational presentations and/or vote on recommendations from committees/councils

Meeting
Prep

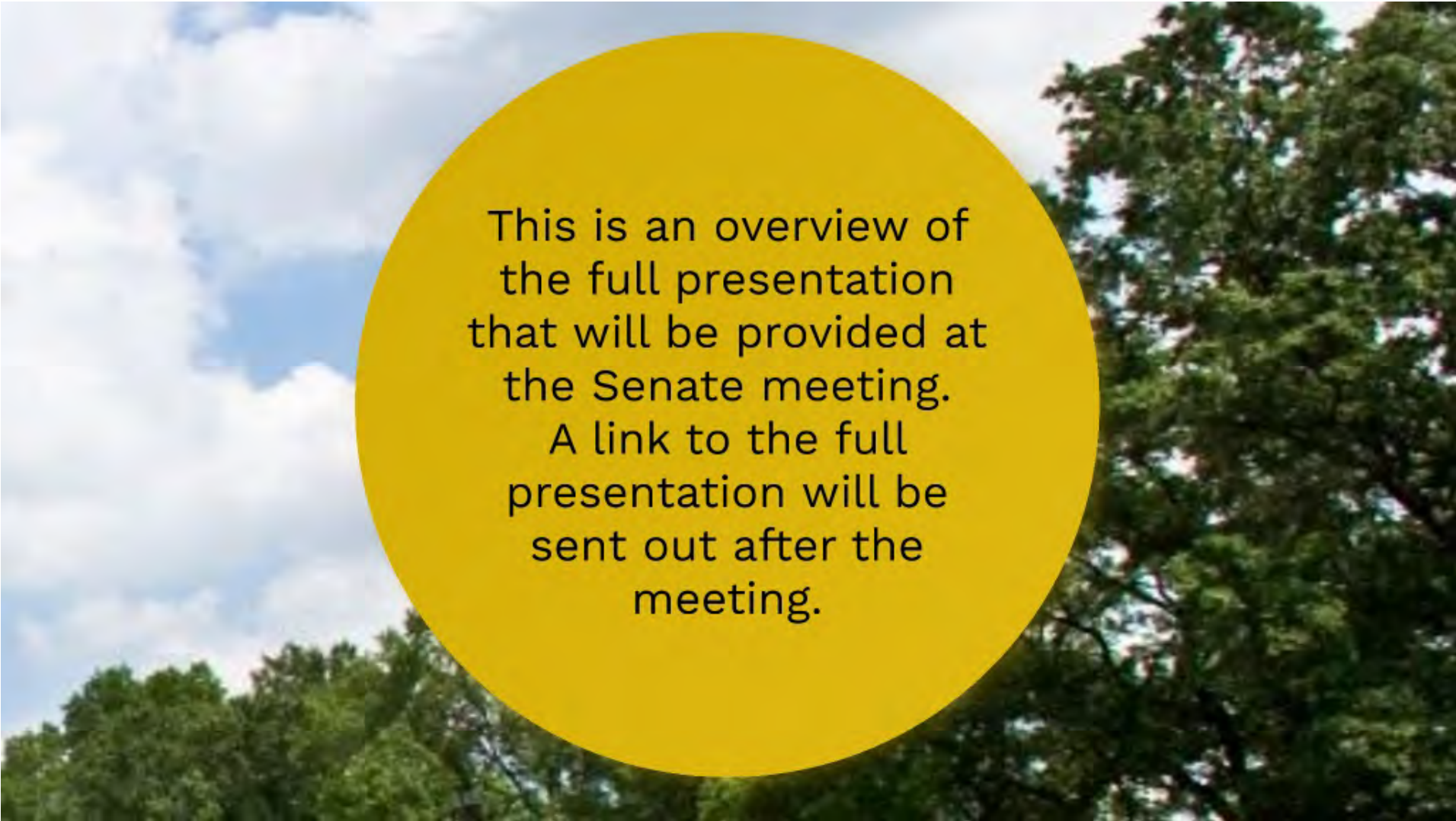
Logistics

At the
Meeting



Protocol

- Only Senators or those introduced by a Senator may speak.
- You must be recognized by the Chair in order to speak - Please do not speak from the audience or interject while others are speaking
- You must use a microphone to speak
- You must state your name, constituency, and college/division EVERY time you speak because the audio for each meeting is recorded
- Speak directly into the microphone - tilt the microphone up or down as needed
- Wireless microphone available if the wired microphone is not accessible



This is an overview of
the full presentation
that will be provided at
the Senate meeting.

A link to the full
presentation will be
sent out after the
meeting.