

**SHARED GOVERNANCE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE  
MINUTES OF THE E-BUSINESS  
FOR THE MEETING OF JANUARY 21, 2025**

In lieu of holding a Shared Governance Executive Committee (SGEC) meeting, items of business were e-mailed to the SGEC membership.

**Approval of the Minutes of the E-Business of November 18, 2024**

Dr. Peggy Bergeron moved approval of the minutes and Dr. Molly Mathis seconded the motion. The minutes were approved unanimously.

**Revised Free Speech and Assembly Policy**

**Approved by Academic and Student Affairs (ASA) Committee on 9-24-24;  
approved by Faculty Senate on 11-14-24; approved by Staff Senate on 12-9-  
24; approved by SGA on 12-16-24**

On motion by Dr. Peggy Bergeron, second by Dr. Molly Mathis, and unanimous consent, the proposal was endorsed for movement to the President for consideration and approval.

**Proposed Artificial Intelligence (AI) Policy and Guidelines**

**approved by Council of Academic Deans on 8-23-24; approved by AI  
Committee on 11-7-24, with suggested revisions; approved by Faculty Senate  
on 12-5-24; approved by Staff Senate on 12-9-24; approved by SGA on 12-  
16-24**

On motion by Dr. Peggy Bergeron, second by Dr. Molly Mathis, and unanimous consent, the proposal was endorsed for movement to the President for consideration and approval.

**Proposal from President Kitts to Establish a Bicentennial Planning Committee**

On motion by Dr. Peggy Bergeron, second by Dr. Molly Mathis, and unanimous consent, the committee was approved for movement to the President for appointment.

**Staff Senate Nomination of Salena Denton as the replacement for the resignation of  
Candace Arnold as a staff-at-large representative on the shared governance Strategic  
Planning and Budget Study Committee to complete the remaining 2.5 years left on her  
service term that ends in August 2027**

On motion by Dr. Peggy Bergeron, second by Dr. Molly Mathis, and unanimous consent, the nomination of Salena Denton was approved for submission to the President for appointment.

**Periodic Review of Policies (The policies noted below have come back up for review in  
iContracts. When the policies were placed in iContracts, the initial review date was  
staggered so that all the polices wouldn't come up for review at the same time. All of these**

were entered in 2022 with a three-year review cycle for the first review (spring 2025) and will be put on a five-year review cycle after that. The respective constituent has determined these policies are still relevant; therefore, SGEC can determine that they are relevant and can be reviewed again in five years)

Awarding Degrees in Memoriam Policy – the President’s Office has deemed that this policy is still relevant and recommends placement into review again in five years

Honorary Degrees Criteria Policy – the President’s Office has deemed that this policy is still relevant and recommends placement into review again in five years

No Smoking Policy – the HR Director has deemed that this policy is still relevant and recommends placement into review again in five years

Public Complaint Policy – the Provost has deemed that this policy is still relevant and recommends placement into review again in five years

On motion by Dr. Peggy Bergeron, second by Dr. Molly Mathis, and unanimous consent, the policies were deemed relevant for review again through iContracts in five years.



Dr. Becky Smith  
Dr. Becky Smith, Chairperson