

Western Nevada College Academic Faculty Senate Agenda

**Date: April 17, 2026 Zoom
Meeting, 1:30-3:30 PM**

Disclaimer: Items may be taken out of order.

- 1. Call to Order**
- 2. Roll Call**
- 3. Executive Update (M. Duley).....Info**
- 4. Faculty consultation group with L&I (R. Belbin).....Discussion**
- 5. Approval of Minutes (November) Action**
- 6. Elections (J. Downs).....Info**
- 7. Policies – First Reading.....Info**

a. 3-3-2 CTE College Credit

Proposed to retire, content rolled into 3-3-5

b. 3-3-5 Credit For Prior Learning

Technical changes only

c. 3-4-1 Admission Registration Grades and Examinations

Alignment with Board Policy

d. 11-3-18: Hazard Communication Program (K. Strain)

e. 11-2-1: Emergency Preparedness Operations and Recovery (M. Williams)

Updates include hazardous materials labeling, contractor requirements, safety data sheets, PPE, and supervisory responsibilities.

8. Special Course Fee Changes.....Possible Action

All new Nursing course fees (\$90, 22 courses) except for NURS 129, 130: Implementation of these fees will provide comprehensive access to a study aid that reinforces educational content, provides skill practice and competency tracking, and assists students in preparing for the NCLEX. Implementing these fees will a) ensure students no longer have to make large lump sum payments to the vendor at the beginning of each semester; b) allow the fee to be attached to the college charges so that Financial Aid funding can be applied; provide students with access to the WNC payment plan options if funding is an

issue; remove the need for individual students to navigate/coordinate with a 3rd party vendor; and ensure all students have access to the materials at the beginning of each semester with no delay in accessing critical course content.

Multiple other course have continuation of temporarily reduced fees.

9. Senate Bylaws (J. Downs, B. Dillet).....Discussion/Possible Action

10. Faculty Senate Climate Survey (E. York).....Discussion

11. Proposed Faculty Senate 26-27 Meeting Calendar (E York).....Possible Action

8/21/2026	9/18/2026	10/16/2026	11/20/2026	12/18/2026
1/29/2027	2/19/2027	3/19/2027	4/16/2027	5/21/2027

12. NFA Updates (R. Bassen) Info

13. Chair Report (E. York)Info/Discussion

14. Old Business

15. Faculty Open Discussion

Faculty are welcome to openly discuss issues involving the institution.

16. New Business

17. Public Comment - Opportunity for faculty to bring forward concerns, questions, or suggestions for future agenda items.

Adjournment