

## Faculty Council meeting agenda (2.17.23)

Note: We will be meeting this Friday (2.17.23) @ 9:00 am for our monthly Faculty Council meeting. This meeting will be held at the Science Center room #1 (located at the “old” campus). This will be a **faculty-only** meeting. As always, **all faculty** are encouraged to attend.

1. Opening prayer
2. Review the meeting notes from the last meeting for committee approval. Voting item #1.
3. Any announcements /information relevant to the Faculty Council that members wish to share.
  - Ned Day presented CRs for the Art Institute.
4. Seek faculty input on restructuring the required participant list for official meetings. Specifically, discuss the “pros” and “cons” of university administration attending regular meetings of the faculty. Example discussion topic: “Should the Faculty Council meeting be a **safe space** for attendees to discuss issues of faculty concern without university administration present?”
5. Conduct an AAR (After-Action Report) over this past spring semester’s registration/student orientation process and an assessment of the first few weeks of classes. The AAR will consist of creating conversations around three questions:
  - What went well?
  - What didn’t go well?
  - What are we going to do differently next time?

The goal is not to assign credit or blame but rather to create clarity so the group can learn together. We attempted to do this at the last Faculty Council meeting. However, some faculty reported that they didn’t feel comfortable sharing their thoughts due to the university administration being present at the meeting. It is important that we give the entire faculty an opportunity to share their thoughts freely. The Faculty Council executive committee would then compile the faculty responses and communicate the results with the planners and decision-makers. The hope is that this will promote true faculty participation in **shared governance** within the SGU Academic Department.

Another goal we as the faculty should be working towards is creating a **professional learning community** grounded in collegiality, idea sharing, healthy dialogue, and Wolakota.