



**COMMITTEE ON FREE EXPRESSION
ARIZONA BOARD OF REGENTS**

THIS IS A VIRTUAL MEETING

**Thursday, August 5, 2021
12:00 p.m. – 1:00 p.m.**

ANNOTATED AGENDA

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**Committee Members present (via video): John Arnold (Chair);
From ASU (via video): Derrick Anderson, José Cárdenas, Joanne Vogel, Giselle Retena; from NAU (via video): Kimberly Ott, Michelle Parker, Margot Saltonstall, Eric Yordy, Maylee Acosta; from UArizona (via video): Toni Massaro, David Schmitz, Robert “Bob” Sommerfeld, Kendal Washington White, Noah Daniel Vega.**

Committee Member absent: Patrick Kenney, ASU

12:00 p.m. CALL TO ORDER, GREETINGS, AND ANNOUNCEMENTS FROM THE COMMITTEE CHAIR – Chair John Arnold called the committee meeting to order at 12:02 p.m.

12:05 p.m. 1. Approval of Minutes

Upon motion by Chair Arnold, seconded by David Schmitz, the committee approved, with the correction, stating it was a student from the University of Arizona, not an employee, as requested by Bob Sommerfeld in Item 2, the public session minutes of the July 20, 2020 Committee on Free Expression meeting.

John Arnold, Derrick Anderson, José Cárdenas, Joanne Vogel, Giselle Retena, Kimberly Ott, Michelle Parker, Margot Saltonstall, Eric Yordy, Maylee Acosta, Toni Massaro, David Schmitz, Robert “Bob” Sommerfeld, Kendal Washington White and Noah Daniel Vega voted in favor. None opposed and none abstained. Motion passed.

The board office asks the committee to review and approve the minutes from the July 20, 2020 Committee on Free Expression meeting.

12:10 p.m. 2. Review of Open Meeting Law – Jennifer Pollock (ABOR) presented this item.

The committee received an overview of the Open Meeting Law.

The board office will provide the committee with an overview of the Open Meeting Law.

12:20 p.m. 3. Review the Statutory Charge to the Committee on Free Expression to Submit an Annual Report – Samantha Blevins (ABOR) presented this item.

The committee received an overview of the statutory charge to the committee to submit an Annual Report.

The board office asks the committee to review the statutory charge to the Committee on Free Expression to submit an annual report.

12:30 p.m. 4. Review of and Possible Action to Approve and Forward the Statutory Annual Report on Free Expression for FY 2021– Sam Blevins provided an update concerning the NAU fees related to free expression, and Chair Arnold asked for comments. None were provided.

Upon motion by Chair Arnold, seconded by Toni Massaro, the committee approved the proposed report with changes as discussed

in this meeting and authorized Samantha Blevins to make non-substantive changes in preparation for submission to the board for approval at its August 26, 2021 meeting.

John Arnold, Derrick Anderson, José Cárdenas, Joanne Vogel, Giselle Retena, Kimberly Ott, Michelle Parker, Margot Saltonstall, Eric Yordy, Maylee Acosta, Toni Massaro, David Schmitz, Robert “Bob” Sommerfeld, Kendal Washington White and Noah Daniel Vega voted in favor. None opposed and none abstained. Motion passed.

The board office asks the committee to review, discuss and take possible action to approve the proposed statutory Report on Free Expression and forward the proposed statutory report to the Board of Regents for its approval.

1:00 p.m. ADJOURN – The committee adjourned at 12:11 p.m.

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