

Department of Dance Faculty Meeting Minutes

Meeting Location:

Thursday, May 7, 2026
12:30 pm - 1:30 pm
Meany Hall Room M-102

Zoom option

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Present: Chris Hallock, Juliet McMains, Alana Isiguen, Mónica Rojas-Stewart, Christina Sunardi, Jen Salk

Agenda

- Welcome and Announcements from the Chair
- Approval of Meeting Minutes
 - From April 23, 2026 faculty meeting
 - 3 voting faculty present for this vote: 3 Yes, 0 No, 0 Abstain (1 faculty member arrived to the meeting after the vote was taken)
- Chair's Report
- Faculty Topics
 - Tap boards update
 - 1) Chris has worked out a system to borrow tap boards from Meany with a clearer communication and check-out process; Chris will follow up with Meany at the end of the spring concert season to see how is working from Meany's end
 - Symposium planning (Juliet)
 - 1) Undergraduate Research Symposium
 - Friday, May 15, 2026, 12:30-2:30, Meany Studio Theatre
 - Juliet encourages all to come

- 2) Graduate Research Symposium planning follow-up (Juliet)
 - Scheduled for Wednesday, October 14, 2026; 12:30-2:30 in Jones Theatre
 - Can have Dance classes scheduled for that day/time come to the symposium
 - Juliet will email Taylor to request administrative assistant support
- 3) Winter 2027 Dance Symposium (Juliet and Mónica)
 - Plans are coming together nicely; discuss potential dates in February 2027, titles for the symposium, confirm honorarium for featured presenter
- Schedule times to discuss UG departmental scholarships
 - 1) No meeting will be necessary; Alana will run the discussion over email
 - 2) Faculty agree that graduate departmental scholarships can also be discussed over email; Alana will also organize and lead this discussion
- MFA program revision (Juliet)
 - 1) Juliet has consulted all the Dance faculty and all are supportive of adjusting to 3-year program
 - 2) Juliet will work on outlining a 3-year degree program in consultation with Dance faculty; prepare for a faculty vote
- Website updates (Christina)
 - 1) The potential updates Christina thought about running by the faculty are no longer a matter that need to be discussed
- Departmental Updates and Announcements
- Agenda Items for Future Meetings
 - Proposed language for Department of Dance graduate student scholarship/fellowship/support (Alana) – save for an Autumn 2026 meeting
 - Dance 100 revamp? (Rachael) – save for an Autumn 2026 meeting when Rachael back from sabbatical
 - Curtains for Studio 265 to block mirrors?