

Faculty Senate Chair Report

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Board of Trustees

The Committees of the Board of Trustees will meet Thursday, April 18, beginning at 12:15pm in the Jefferson Room, Grawemeyer Hall, followed by a meeting of the full board beginning at 1pm.

EVPRI Search Update

Members of the Faculty Senate met with Alberto Pimentel, from the search firm Storbeck/Pimentel and Associates, to discuss the following questions:

1. Based on your experience at UofL, what do you see as the short-term (immediate) and long-term (three to five years) challenges and opportunities facing the next Executive Vice President for Research and Innovation?
2. Given the opportunities and challenges you have described, what professional experiences and qualifications must the successful candidate possess? What personal qualities must the new Executive Vice President for Research and Innovation have in order to be a good cultural “fit” with the UofL community?
3. What current ongoing initiatives must the Executive Vice President for Research and Innovation be informed about and be ready to guide to completion?
4. What are the key positive attributes and most attractive features of the UofL and how might those be used to attract the right candidates?

J.P. Mohsen and Saeed Jortani are representing Faculty Senate on the search. Please send any thoughts/comments to these representatives.

Benefits Design Workgroup

HR is charging a workgroup to thoroughly review the University’s health benefits. This group will help create a multi-year strategy that will help ensure that UofL continues to provide valuable, meaningful health benefits to employees while managing costs for both the University and employees.

HSC Update

The RFP process that the University entered last month did not produce a suitable partnership. CommonSpirit Health has agreed to extend our Academic Affiliation Agreement for 90 days. The University will continue to search for an appropriate partner. The private healthcare

investment banking firm Cain Brothers will work with UofL Health to engage potential partners. Target date to reach an agreement is June 30.

Trustees Award

The Board of Trustees is accepting nominations for the 2019 Trustees Award. The deadline for submissions is April 4. This award recognizes faculty who have had an extraordinary impact on students. The recipient(s) will receive a \$5,000 award which will be presented at University Commencement on May 11. Nominations may be [submitted online](#).

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