



Faculty Senate chair report

April 1, 2026

Vice President Office of Communications



Christopher Tillquist is your Faculty Senate representative on this search committee.



Members of the Executive Committee of the Faculty Senate are invited to meet with the four finalists in April.



If a Senator at large would like to join the Executive Committee in meeting with the four finalists, contact Andrew Winters.



Vice President Government Relations

- Upcoming Search chaired by Josh Heird
- Andrew Winters will be your Faculty Senate Representative
- Campus visits for the finalists likely in early Fall 2026




Ad hoc Committee reviewing the Faculty Grievance Process

This *ad hoc* committee will review the Faculty Grievance Process outlined in Chapter 4 of the REDBOOK and subsequently recommend changes.

The committee is in need of two HSC Faculty members (**can be a non-Senator who is not an administrator**) who have interest in participating in reviewing the faculty grievance process as outlined in the REDBOOK Chapter 4.

The last review of the process occurred in 2011. The committee will work alongside the Faculty Grievance Officer, and the co-chairs of the Faculty Grievance Committee to recommend edits to this section of Chapter 4 of the REDBOOK.

The work is time-limited with the committee being charged in May 2026 (likely) and conclude in Fall Semester 2026.



*Ad
hoc* Committee
reviewing the
Faculty
Grievance
Process

Thank you to the following
Senators who have volunteered
to serve on this *ad hoc*
committee:

Michael Cunningham

Rachel Howard

Allison Ogden

Centers & Institutes review committee

- The Centers & Institutes Review Committee is seeking two HSC Faculty Senators (**must be a Senator**) who have interest in serving on this committee.
- This committee is chaired by Bob Goldstein and is charged with the establishment, review, and closure of Centers and Institutes. Bob envisions a monthly 60-minute meeting, with approximately 30–90 minutes of preparation time depending on the agenda.
- If there is a Senator who is currently in charge of a Center or Institute this committee may be of particular interest to them.

Ad hoc
committee on
Faculty Senate
reapportionment

- Jennifer Hamm
- Pat Harris
- Enid Trucio-Haynes
- Emi Rameriz
- Christopher Tillquist
- Shantel Crosby
- Lance Gibson

SACSCOC Self-Study Leadership Team

- Erica McClure
- Robert Bert
- Pat Harris
- Tomás Edison
- Vida Vaughn
- Angela Thompson
- Andrew Winters



Presidential Town Hall

The next Town Hall for faculty, staff and students on Monday, April 20, 4-5 p.m., in Kornhauser Health Sciences Library Auditorium.



Spring Commencement

Saturday, May 9, 2026, at the KFC Yum! Center

Ceremony #1 (10:00 a.m.)

- Honoring graduates from the College of Arts and Sciences, Brandeis School of Law*, Interdisciplinary Graduate Programs, Kent School of Social Work & Family Science, School of Dentistry*, School of Medicine*, School of Nursing*, and the School of Public Health & Information Sciences.
- Doors for Ceremony #1 will open to graduates and their guests beginning at 8:30 a.m., and the ceremony will last approximately two hours.

Ceremony #2 (3:00 p.m.)

- Honoring graduates from the College of Business, College of Education & Human Development, J.B. Speed School of Engineering, and the School of Music.
- Doors for Ceremony #2 will open to graduates and their guests beginning at 1:30 p.m., and the ceremony will last approximately two hours.





June 2026
Faculty
Senate
meeting

- Andrew will be in Vietnam conducting Research
- Christopher will be out of town
- The Executive Committee discussed and recommended Roy Fuller to chair the June 2026 Faculty Senate meeting