

**FACULTY SENATE
EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES
February 22, 2023**

The Faculty Senate Executive Committee met on February 22, 2023 at 3 p.m. in MITC 201 and on the TEAMS platform, Vice Chair Robert Detmering presiding.

VOTING MEMBERS PRESENT

Robert Cohn, Robert Detmering, Jose Fernandez, Roy Fuller, Karen Hadley, Candace Harrington, Patrick Harris, Kathy Gosser, Eugene Mueller, David Schultz, Sherri Wallace

ALSO ATTENDING

Mindy Christian, Michael Cunningham, Steve Green, Becky Patterson, John Smith

VOTING MEMBERS NOT PRESENT

Candace Harrington, Enid Trucios-Haynes

Before calling the meeting to order, Committee Chair Detmering reiterated his previous request to keep order during the meeting by raising a hand to speak so everyone has a chance to be heard, to not interrupt someone who is speaking, and to end discussion when it is called for.

CALL TO ORDER

ACTION ITEM: APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES - DETMERING

The minutes of the January 18th and 25th meetings were approved.

REPORT:STUDENT GOVERNMENT - SEBASTIAN

No report was made.

REPORT: STAFF SENATE - PATTERSON

The Staff Senate will meet on March 14th on the Teams platform.

REPORT: AAUP – CUNNINGHAM

The AAUP is waiting on a response to questions sent to President Schatzel, Provost Gonzalez and Vice Provost for Faculty Affairs Cherie Dawson-Edwards.

REPORT: FACULTY SENATE CHAIR – MUELLER

Chair Mueller reported the following.

- President Schatzel will attend the May Faculty Senate meeting.
- The Board of Trustees will meet this week and Speed Outdoors will be discussed.
- An update on the Compensation and Total Rewards Study will be made at the March meeting.

DISCUSSION ITEMS – DETMERING

- **Public Safety** – Chief Steve Green and Ms. Mindy Christian the Manager of Emergency Management

After the last Faculty Senate meeting, senators had many questions regarding the safety information that was presented. Chief Green and Ms. Christina were invited to give more in-depth information and to answer questions. Chief Green gave a brief description of his policing background.

- **Community Policing** – Chief Green has always been interested in Community Policing and that is what he is building at UofL. He reported on the things he has done since

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becoming chief. He credited the former chief, Gary Lewis for building a solid foundation to build on. Chief Green wants his officers out of their cars, walking on campus and talking to as many people as possible.

- **Emergency Management** - Before Chief Lewis, there was no Emergency Management and the emergency plans were from 2000. Ms. Christian was hired and developed the emergency action plans.
- **RAVE Alerts** – There is some concern that there is more crime on campus now than in the past. The previous Chief Gary Lewis would only send an alert when an activity was on UofL’s property. Chief Green feels it is important to let staff, students and faculty know what is going on around campus, as well as on campus, therefore increasing RAVE alerts. We report active situations and also when the situation has been cleared. That also increases the alerts.
- **HSC Campus** - HSC is a different situation because we have students, staff, faculty and residents to protect in various hospitals and buildings. It is important to know what is happening in that area so everyone can take extra safety precautions. When the situation is dangerous, we send out messages to avoid certain areas and then we send out another alert when everything is clear. HSC does not have the number of officers that Belknap has so the work schedules have been rearranged for better coverage and visibility. Chief Green hopes to hire more officers for HSC. He has contacted the security departments at JCTC, Jewish, Norton and UofL hospitals and agreed that our officers would ride through their parking lots and check on the emergency departments from time to time. In turn, they agreed to have their security on foot patrol to check our areas out, too. Also, in March, BlueMed is a city program that will have eight to fourteen ambassadors that will cover the HSC campus and help the homeless, pick up trash and be more people watching the campus.
- **New Officers** – ULPD is allotted 46 officers and we had 43. Two left to go to higher paying jobs, which is always an issue. One retired and took her comfort animal when she left. So we are trying to replace that canine and trying to get a couple more.
- **Belknap Traffic Issues** – A brief discussion took place on the dangerous conditions that exist for people crossing the streets, especially on Eastern Parkway at the Speed School.

Comment: The RAVE alert that went out recently about a ten-person carjacking frightened a group of professors who were meeting nearby.

Reply: We based that alert on the information that was sent to us. We have updated the procedure to wait to send a RAVE alert until one of our officers is on the scene and assesses the situation.

Comment: I appreciate this very positive information and encourage you to send out a communication once a month, once a quarter, something so we all know what is going on in your area. If people are aware of the strategies you are taking, like officers walking on campus and through buildings, I believe it would give a better feeling of security.

Reply: I can send information thorough the faculty, staff and SGA groups. For unknown reasons, I was encouraged to not send out a newsletter.

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Comment: It would be helpful if there was a central location to put emergency building information.

Reply: We will put the [Building Emergency Coordinators \(BEC\) list](#) on our web site.

Comment: There was some frustration at the Faculty Senate meeting last week because we kept hearing things pertaining to *when something happens, this will happen* or *when something happens, contact your emergency building coordinator*. And it seems that things need to happen before something actually happens. And if something happens on campus and there is only one number to call, that is a problem.

Reply: You can always call 911. We offer trainings for almost every emergency situation. Trainings are listed on the [Emergency Management web site](#).

- **Follow Up from February 15th Meeting – Detmering**
 - **Sustainability Proposal** - The committee discussed the proposal presented last week. Dr. Fu was advised to take the Executive Committee’s discussion points back to the Sustainability Council for further discussion. Chair Mueller then advised Dr. Avery Kolers that if he wanted to present the proposal to the full Faculty Senate, he would need to find a faculty senator to present on his behalf.
 - **Question/Comment:** If we are encouraging them to present a proposal on TIAA, why are we not also encouraging them to present information on Fidelity? How can we target one company and not the other? We should favor one over another. If they are both bad, the recommendation should be to find one that is not bad.
 - **Question:** Do we know the details of the contract with TIAA?
 - **REDBOOK Issues** – REDBOOK Committee Chair Robert Cohn was advised by Dr. Cherie Edwards-Dawson, Vice Provost for Faculty Affairs to get an opinion from General Counsel on The REDBOOK interpretations.
 - **ChatGPT** – Senate Chair Mueller said he will send an email to the Faculty Senate list serve with his proposal and the current information regarding the platform. A brief discussion took place and it was mentioned that time will tell as some believe the platform’s popularity, though currently on a virtual high, will fade due to its 50% accuracy rate on tests.

REPORTS: STANDING COMMITTEES

- **Academic Programs Committee (APC) – Harrington**
 - APC will address these two proposals at our March 1st meeting.
 - Discontinuation of the MA in Teaching of Art History in CEHD for lack of enrollment (none in the past two years).
 - Graduate Certificate proposal in Healthcare Systems Engineering by the Dept of Industrial Engineering in the Speed School.
- **Committee on Committee & Credentials (CCC) – Gosser**
 - The election ballot and will be sent out with the committee report in March.
- **Part-time Faculty Committee (PTF) – Fuller**
 - This committee had no report.

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- **Planning & Budget Committee (P&B) – Harris**
 - In February, P&BC reviewed the budget and recommended approval to the APC for discontinuation of the MA in Teaching of Art History in CEHD for lack of enrollment (none in past two years).
 - Recommended approval to the APC for a Graduate Certificate proposal in Healthcare Systems Engineering by the Dept of Industrial Engineering in the Speed School.
 - Requested clarification and a consistency check by the Program Proposer for a Graduate Certificate proposal in the Business of Healthcare by the Dept of Management & Entrepreneurship in the Business School.
- **The REDBOOK & Bylaws Committee (RB) – Cohn**
 - As above in the discussion items.

OLD BUSINESS

Resolution of Appreciation to Dr. Bradley – Senate Chair Mueller passed out copies of the resolution. The resolution was approved.

Public Safety – Some committee members expressed concern regarding the effectiveness of the Building Emergency Coordinators (BEC) program. Senator Schultz remarked that it is difficult to get volunteers for the positions and then to take the training. Senator Cunningham suggested incentivizing participation for the BECs and to get the entire campus involved on a particular day and time once a year or semester so it becomes an expected event.

NEW BUSINESS

None

ANNOUNCEMENTS

None

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 4:40 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Gretchen Henry
Senate Coordinator