

Executive Committee Report for September 2016

The Executive Committee of the Faculty Senate met twice during the month of September: September 21 and September 28.

The Executive Committee heard reports from Standing Committees, as well as from representatives of the Staff Senate and Student Government. The Committee also approved the SPHIS documents, which had already been approved by Faculty Senate Fall 2015, sent to General Counsel, back to SPHIS for updates, and then to Redbook for a second evaluation. Since changes were not substantial, the documents were approved by the Committee and will now go to the Board of Trustees. This process was established for documents with request for edits after review by General Counsel.

Discussion Items included attributes of a 21st Century University President, and the Faculty's role in the search process for a President. The Executive Committee is working on a final draft of these attributes.

Susan Jarosi and Avery Kolers attended the September 21st meeting to introduce the AAUP, and discuss issues regarding shared governance and the AAUP suggestions for presidential searches.

The Executive Committee also met with Interim President Pinto on September 29; one of two meetings scheduled during the Fall 2016 semester. Talking points included: updates on the CPE and Performance Funding Model, current processes in the development of the next budget and the impact of these issues on unit budgets, and potential timelines for adopting a new budget model. The Executive Committee also asked questions regarding the search process for the next President, status of the Vice President for HR appointment, and the status of the Executive Vice President for Health Affairs.

Respectfully Submitted,
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