Executive Committee Report for November 2016

The Executive Committee of the Faculty Senate met twice during the month of November: November 16 and November 30.

The Executive Committee (XC) heard reports from Standing Committees, as well as from representatives of the Staff Senate and Student Government. The Committee expressed its concerns over cancellations of University committees HRAC and STEC, and will discuss this concern with Harlan.

Discussion Items included HRAC, parking issues, and Online Course Evaluations with Priority Grade Access. Tracy Eells presented the Entrepreneurial Leave Policy. The XC reviewed the policy, addressing questions to Tracy on Nov. 16, and additional questions to David King on Nov. 30. At the Nov. 30 meeting a motion was unanimously made to endorse the policy, with the understanding that this policy, and others of this nature, will be effectively marketed to faculty.

As part of the Faculty Senate Chair's report, the XC discussed the possibility of initiating a request to have a seat on the University of Louisville Foundation Board, and if this request should be as an ex-officio member. As reported by the Student Government Representative, the students have drafted a resolution, and would prefer for the Faculty and Staff Senate to draft a separate resolution, with a joint statement of intent. The XC also discussed the impact of the election results on undocumented students, and ways to support our students who could be targeted under a new immigration policy.

The XC discussed a Faculty Senate seat for AAUP representation, and asked the Redbook to draft language outlining the terms of the seat, while a small committee (Enid Trucios-Haynes, Pamela Feldhoff, and Krista Wallace-Boaz) will collect data regarding this representation from other Universities and Colleges.

Harlan Sans met with the XC on November 16, to discuss issues on parking, cancelled committee meetings, IT, and a Capitol Planning Commission. The XC remains consistent in the request that the Parking Advisory Committee be utilized during the evaluation of the parking issues.

The XC continues to discuss how the Senate and larger campus community might develop a process to honor and remember faculty, staff, and students who have recently deceased.

The XC has moved the date of the December meeting from 12/21, to 12/14.

Respectfully Submitted, Krista Wallace-Boaz Executive Committee of the Faculty Senate, Chair Faculty Senate, Vice-Chair