

Faculty Senate Executive Committee Report April 3, 2019

The Executive Committee met on March 20th and 27th, and with President Neeli Bendapudi on March 28th.

On the 20th and 27th, the XC:

- Received an update from Charlie Leonard on the ACC Meeting of the Minds Undergraduate Research Conference;
- Discussed ideas for strategic initiatives, to be taken back to the respective strategic planning workgroups by the respective XC representatives (the XC has representation on all three workgroups: Learn, Work, and Invest); a concern was raised about where research, scholarship, and creative activity will show up in the strategic plan;
- Endorsed the “Guidelines for Deans and Chairs Regarding Employment of Part-Time Faculty;”
- Heard a presentation by Todd Kneale, Director of Total Rewards, on Compensation 101. This presentation can be found on the HR website.

At the meeting with President Bendapudi, the following were discussed:

- The budget development timeline and opportunity for faculty input; (Dan Durbin is scheduled to meet with the XC on April 17 to discuss the budget)
- Strategic investment investing in currently underfunded programs;
- Ensuring that our understanding of ‘research’ includes creative activity and scholarship in the humanities, social sciences, and basic sciences.
- Possible steps we can take to ensure we do not get caught in an admissions scandal.
- Frustrations regarding new restrictions on Procard usage and new purchasing policies.

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