

Faculty Senate Executive Committee Report for July 2022

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The Executive Committee (XC) met once in June 2022 in MITC 201 with an option to attend via Teams if a member was unable to do so in person. Minutes will be available once approved at a future meeting.

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New Staff Senate representative Mike Materna gave a thorough report of the last Staff Senate meeting and updated the XC on current projects from University Planning, Design, and Construction (his unit). The SGA and AAUP were unrepresented at the meeting.

Senate Chair Schultz briefed the XC on the presidential search and the new strategic plan.

Faculty Athletic Representative Wallace-Boaz and Assistant Athletic Director Justin Ruffin presented a proposal to grant athletic academic advisors read-only access to Blackboard. The XC seemed in favor of the general scheme, and details about the implementation and several issues of potential concern will be researched before the plan returns to the XC for consideration; after that, the issue will be brought before the full Faculty Senate.

The XC resumed its ongoing discussion of the time frame of course evaluations in light of the information that the extension through finals was instituted upon the institution of early access to grades as a reward for completing evaluations, which is earlier than had been realized during our previous discussion. The concerns remain about students being able to fill out an evaluation after grades have been assigned. Many courses use a straight scale, so posting of final exam scores effectively informs students of grades. A request for additional information has been made to Vice Provost Goldstein. An *ad hoc* committee will be constituted at the start of the fall semester to discuss all aspects related to course evaluations.

Standing committee reports completed the meeting, and details will be available in the minutes.