Faculty Senate Executive Committee (XC) Report Jan. 11, 2023

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Due to winter break, the XC met only once last month on 12/14/22 for a relatively short discussion. Full minutes for the meeting will be made available on the senate website.

Our guest for the meeting was Benjamin Wilson (faculty member in the English Department), representing the United Campus Workers of Kentucky (UCW). The XC was interested in learning more about the goals and concerns of this group, which includes employees of all types (faculty, staff, and student workers), with approximately 130 members from UofL and 700 members state-wide. Wilson reported that UCW's priorities are focused on improving compensation at all levels, increasing transparency around administrative decision-making, and gaining "a seat at the table" within the shared governance system of the university. There was a lively conversation around these topics, resulting in plans for a future discussion among the XC.

In January, the XC will discuss faculty priorities in light of upcoming leadership transitions in university administration and talk with Dean Boehm regarding initiatives in the Graduate School.