

Executive Committee (XC) Report to the University of Louisville Faculty Senate

November 6, 2024

Meeting(s) Report

The faculty senate executive committee met twice in October (Wednesday, 10.16 and 10.23) during our regularly scheduled meeting time from 3:00-5:00 PM. The meeting minutes from October 16 and 23, 2024, were unanimously approved. At both meetings, executive committee reports, and standing committee reports were presented as information, the details are recorded in the meeting minutes. No motions were made.

Discussion Items & Guest Reports:

1. Course Modality and Digital Learning Standards (October 16, 2024). Gail DePuy, Senior Vice Provost, and Kelvin Thompson, Vice Provost for Online Strategy and Teaching Innovation, presented the new course modalities and digital learning standards. XC members questioned the necessity for the changes and offered suggestions for clarity in the document. DePuy will present the information at the next faculty senate meeting on November 6, 2024.
2. United Campus Workers - CWA (UCW-KY) (October 23, 2024). Dr. Melanie Gast, Associate Professor (Department of Sociology) and Dr. Elise Franklin, Assistant Professor (Department of History) gave a presentation on the history and activities of the UofL chapter of the United Campus Workers—a wall to wall campus union—as a formal request to make regular affiliated reports at the Faculty Senate meetings. XC members asked questions about the national Communications Workers of America (CWA) union, incentives for joining, the use of membership dues and the financial support/influence from the CWA. Gast will provide more information per the requests. The Eugene Mueller, Faculty Senate Chair, will decide whether to grant permission after discussion at the next XC Meeting on November 20, 2024.

Respectfully submitted,

Dr. Sherri L. Wallace, Vice Chair