

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

October 1, 2025

Meeting Report

The Faculty Senate Executive Committee met once during September (Wednesday, September 24) for an abbreviated meeting from 4:00 – 5:00 PM. The meeting minutes from August 27 were unanimously approved. The Executive Committee and Standing Committee reports were presented as information. Details are recorded in the meeting minutes. The scheduled meeting was only one hour (rather than the regular two hours) due to scheduling conflicts for both Dr. Andrew Winters (Chair, Faculty Senate) and Dr. Christopher Tillquist (Chair, Faculty Senate Executive Committee). The abbreviated nature of the meeting precluded considering a scheduled motion by Dr. Ben Foster (Faculty Senator, College of Business); this motion has been scheduled as the first item of business for the next meeting of the Executive Committee.

Discussion, Guest Reports, and Presentations

1. Presentation by Dr. Marissa Yingling (Kent School of Social Work and Family Science) and Dr. Siobhan Smith Jones (Arts and Sciences): *Pathways to Parenthood: Requesting Faculty Senate assistance to improve data, policy, and benefits*. Specific topics of the presentation were bereavement policy revisions, adoption and foster care benefits, issues with reproductive health benefits, challenges with faculty leave policies, and the need for access to existing data from the Office of Human Resources.
2. Discussion: Dr. Eugene Mueller (Arts and Sciences, immediate past Chair of Faculty Senate) requested comments on the Annual Academic Report to be submitted to the Board of Trustees. Discussion centered on a section of the report addressing compliance with Redbook requirements that term appointments funded through general funds must be less than 50% of tenure-track faculty. Clarification was sought regarding the categorization of term faculty versus part-time lecturers, as well as the definition of general funds.

Next meeting: Wednesday, October 22 3:00 – 4:00PM in MITC 201

End of Report.

Respectfully submitted,
Dr. Christopher R. Tillquist, Vice Chair (2025-2026)