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Faculty Senate Meeting

The regular meeting of the Faculty Senate was held on April 4, 2018 at 3:00 p.m. in the Chao Auditorium, Ekstrom Library, Belknap Campus, Enid Trucios-Haynes presiding.

Senators Registering Attendance:

A&S: Beth Bradley, Jasmine Farrier, John Ferré, Avery Kolers, David Owen, Eugene Mueller, David Schultz, Christopher Tillquist, Beth Willey **BUSINESS:** Robert Barker, Reg Bruce, Ben Foster, Robert Myers **DENTISTRY:** Don Demuth, Marybeth Shaffer **EDUCATION:** Sherri Brown, Justin Cooper, Monica Delano **KENT:** Jennifer Middleton **LAW:** Enid Trucios-Haynes, Justin Walker **LIBRARIES:** Dwayne Buttler, Robert Detmering, Terri Holtze **MEDICINE:** Forest Arnold, Eric Burton, Kenneth Palmer, Chin Ng, Michael Tseng **MUSIC:** Rebecca Jemian, Krista Wallace-Boaz **NURSING:** Said Abusalem, Diane Chlebowy, Karen Turner **PART-TIME FACULTY:** Roy Fuller, Joseph Gutmann, Max Maxwell, Michael Wade **PUBLIC HEALTH:** Scott LaJoie **SPEED:** J.P. Mohsen

Also Attending:

Provost Dale Billingsley, Ginger Brown, Jonathan Fuller, Tracy Eells, Alicia Kelso, Dawn Heinecken, Olivia Krauth, Joseph Han

Senators Not Registering Attendance:

A&S: David Simpson, Clare Sullivan **DENTISTRY:** Ricardo Caicedo, Lee Mayer **EDUCATION:** Meg Hancock **KENT:** Seana Golder, Lesley Harris **LAW:** Joanne Sweeny **MEDICINE:** Yousef Abu-Kwaik, Murali Ankem, Pamela Feldhoff, Saeed Jortani, Christopher Jones, Jeffery King, Patrick Harris, Brad Keller, Rainer Lenhardt, Ben Schoenbachler, David Stirling, Brian Wang **MUSIC:** Sidney King **PART-TIME FACULTY:** Tina Johnson, Rose Mills **PUBLIC HEALTH:** Kristin Zierold **SPEED:** Roger Bradshaw, Robert Keynton, Jacek Zurada

CALL TO ORDER

ACTION ITEM: Meeting Minutes

The [minutes of the March 7, 2018](#) meeting were unanimously approved as distributed.

ACTION ITEM: Second Reading - Revised Unit Documents - Willey

As there were no questions or discussion, the [revisions made to the Dental School bylaws](#) were unanimously approved.

REPORT: Student Government Association – Fuller

The SGA met on Tuesday night and passed two resolutions – regarding the renovation to the third floor in Ekstrom Library and another to thank the Interim leadership. Outgoing SGA President Vishnu Tirumala created a statement on the hiring process of the new president.

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REPORT: Staff Senate – Brown

The Staff Senate met in the CTRB Building on HSC last month. Dr. Han reported on his 5 year plan. Interim VP-HR John Elliott spoke about the FLSA audit and introduced Todd Kneale, the Director of Total Rewards. The next meeting is on April 9 in the Chao Auditorium.

REPORT: Faculty Senate Chair – Trucios-Haynes

Chair Trucios-Haynes reported on the following:

- **PRESIDENT SEARCH:** Though we may be unsettled with the process, we must be supportive of our new president. The selection of Dr. Neeli Bendapudi shows the University's commitment to academic excellence and diversity. She is unanimously supported by the Board and was the top choice of all the candidates.
- **INTERIM PRESIDENT:** The Chair read a resolution of gratitude to Dr. Greg Postel. It passed unanimously.
- **UL FOUNDATION:** The foundation recently amended its bylaws to allow three new, non-voting members from the Faculty and Staff Senates and the SGA.

DISCUSSION: Budget Bill, CPE and proposed Faculty Senate Program Closure Guidelines

- **BUDGET BILL – Trucios-Haynes**

A statement has been drafted by the Kentucky Coalition of Senate & Faculty Leaders (COSFL) strongly opposing any budget bill provision that would permit the summary dismissal of tenured faculty. This draft will also be brought to the executive committee for refinement. Chair Trucios-Haynes is also the chair of this statewide coalition.

- **PROGRAM CLOSURE GUIDELINES - Farrier/Owen**

Senators discussed the budget bill in Frankfort and its implications for program closure. A draft of guidelines for program closure was presented by the senate APC and P&B committees. The two circumstances to cause closure are financial exigency and academic considerations. The document is a collection of procedures that already exist. The goal is to have something concrete to determine the process internally. The committee will work with the executive committee to update language in the draft and bring to the Senate at the May meeting.

REPORT: Interim University Provost – Billingsley

Dr. Billingsley reported on several topics, including:

- **PROVOST OFFICE:** Dr. Billingsley announced that his last day as interim provost is June 1. Dean Beth Boehm (SIGS) will fill the interim provost role until the search process concludes, which is anticipated to continue to January 2019. The Provost strongly urged the Faculty Senate to document what went wrong during the presidential search process to avoid these types of issues in the future.
- **SACS:** the SACS visit in March was a normal accreditation visit. It was very positive, including a SACS endorsement of UofL's QEP program. However, two recommendations were made – (1) regarding the transcription of transfer work, and (2) to address the university's financial stability after a downgrade in bond ratings. UofL has until September to address these recommendations.
- **SEARCHES:**
 - DEANS

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- Speed School - will be named within the next two weeks.
- School of Nursing - is down to three finalists.
- OMBUDSMAN - The Ombudsman job is posted and it is anticipated to be filled by July.
- **DECANAL REVIEWS: Five year reviews to be done this year.**
 - SIGS – Beth Boehm
 - Music – Chris Doane
 - SPHIS – Craig Blakely

[The Provost's report is online.](#)

REPORT: Standing Committees

- **Academic Programs Committee (APC) – Farrier**
This committee worked with the Planning & Budget Committee on the Program Closure Guidelines, as discussed above.
- **Committee on Committees & Credentials (CCC) – Foster**
Elections are coming up next month at the May 2 meeting. Chair Foster read the vacancies that need to be filled. Second year senators are required by the bylaws to run for election. Chair Trucios-Haynes encouraged senators from HSC to run for election.
- **Part-time Faculty Committee (PTF) – Fuller**
No report was made.
- **Planning & Budget Committee (P&B) – Owen**
This committee worked with the Academic Programs Committee on the Program Closure Guidelines, as discussed above.
- **REDBOOK Committee (RB) – Willey**
This committee reviewed the Dental School bylaws, as discussed above.
- **Executive Committee (XC) – Wallace-Boaz**
No report was made.

OTHER REPORTS: University-Wide Committees

- Faculty Athletic Representative – Wise
 - [This report is online.](#)

Announcements

This Friday a meeting will take place with the Executive Committee and the UL Chapter of AAUP to discuss the HB200 budget bill. Location and time will be announced when finalized.

Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 4:20 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
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