

**University of Louisville**  
Faculty Senate Meeting Minutes  
April 1, 2020

The regular meeting of the Faculty Senate was held on April 1, 2020 at 3:00 p.m. on the TEAM platform, Krista Wallace-Boaz presiding.

**SENATORS REGISTERING ATTENDANCE**

**A&S:** DAVID BROWN, MICHAEL CUNNINGHAM, AVERY KOLERS, EUGENE MUELLER, DAVID SCHULTZ, DAVID SIMPSON, CHRISTOPHER TILLQUIST, SHERRI WALLACE, ELAINE WISE **BUSINESS:** ROBERT BARKER, REG BRUCE, JOSE FERNANDEZ, BEN FOSTER **DENTISTRY:** BRIAN MARRILLIA, BARBARA STRATTON, BREACYA WASHINGTON **EDUCATION:** EVAN FREDERICK, MEG HANCOCK **KENT:** BIBHUTI SAR **LAW:** ENID TRUCIOS-HAYNES, WARREN MANNING **LIBRARIES:** ROBERT DETMERING, TERRI HOLTZE, REBECCA MORGAN **MEDICINE:** YOUSEF ABU-KWAIK, GEOFFREY CLARK, PATRICK HARRIS, SAEED JORTANI, RHONDA MATTINGLY, CHIN NG, BEN SCHOENBACHLER, BRIAN WILLIAMS **MUSIC:** REBECCA JEMIAN, KRISTA WALLACE-BOAZ **NURSING:** KRISTEN BAISCH, SARAH CARTER, KAREN TURNER **PART-TIME FACULTY:** ROY FULLER, TIM ROBERTS **PUBLIC HEALTH:** DAVID JOHNSON **SPEED:** ROGER BRADSHAW, OLFA NASRAOUI, ROMAN YAMPOLSKIY

**GUESTS ATTENDING**

**UNIVERSITY PRESIDENT:** DR. NEELI BENDAPUDI  
**UNIVERSITY PROVOST:** DR. BETH BOEHM  
**FOUNDATION EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR:** MR. KEITH SHERMAN  
**PROVOST OFFICE DESIGNE:** DR. TRACY EELLS  
**STAFF SENATE:** MS. GINGER BROWN  
**SGA:** MS. SABRINA COLLINS and MR. BEN BARBERIE  
**ULARP:** MR. BOB STENGER  
**UofL TODAY:** MS. SARAH LOPEZ

**OTHERS ATTENDING:**

MICHAEL WADE SMITH, JESSIE MURNOCK, RASHMI ASSUDANI

**SENATORS NOT REGISTERING ATTENDANCE**

**A&S:** KAREN HADLEY **DENTISTRY:** BRUNO AZEVEDO **EDUCATION:** MONICA DELANO, MICHELLE FOSTER **KENT:** JOCELYN FETALVER, JENNIFER MIDDLETON **LAW:** LUKE MILLIGAN **MEDICINE:** FOREST ARNOLD, KIMBERLY BOLAND, MATTHEW FOX, CHRISTOPHER JONES, RAINER LENHARDT, QIUTANG LI, KATHERINE POHLGEERS, CRAIG SILVERMAN **MUSIC:** CHAD SLOAN **PART-TIME FACULTY:** AARON ELLIS, JOSEPH GUTMANN, TINA JOHNSON, ROSE MILLS **SPEED:** JACEK ZURADA

**CALL TO ORDER**

**ACTION ITEM:** REDBOOK – Second reading – [Revised Bylaws](#) – School of Medicine DETMERING  
Senator Detmering explained the minor changes that were made to the bylaws to the satisfaction of the committee. The vote was taken and the School of Medicine’s revised bylaws passed unanimously.

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**REPORT: STUDENT GOVERNMENT**

COLLINS

Ms. Collins reported that students are very appreciative of UofL's response to COVID-19 and feels we have been setting a great example in Kentucky and nationally. She introduced Ben Barberie, the new Academic Vice President for the SGA. He will take over her duties with the Faculty Senate as she moves into the presidency of the SGA. She expressed appreciation to the Faculty Senate for its efforts on behalf of students.

**REPORT: [STAFF SENATE](#)**

BROWN

**REPORT: [FACULTY SENATE CHAIR](#)**

WALLACE-BOAZ

The Chair's report has a lot of information, but she especially wanted to highlight several items.

- [COVID-19 web site](#) – This has been updated and is more user-friendly. Please check it out.
- Board of Trustees – The March meeting was cancelled. The next scheduled meeting is later this month.
- Searches – All searches have been suspended until further notice. For more information check with your chair or dean.
- Faculty Course Evaluations – The student evaluations will be sent out, but faculty will have the choice to include them in their promotion and tenure packet.
- Trustees Award - The deadline for nominations for the 2020 Trustees Award has been extended to November 20, 2020.

**REPORT: UNIVERSITY PRESIDENT**

BENDAPUDI

Dr. Bendapudi began by thanking the faculty for their efforts in switching to remote instruction this semester. She reported that she spends most of her time in four specific areas: academics, HSC, athletics and government relations. The president is grateful we got the support to preserve healthcare in this community by keeping Jewish Hospital open. Our team is doing an incredible job. Through our research facilities, we have the ability to conduct over 1000 virus tests per day. Our turnaround is one day. We have been asked by the governor to hold those for people in the hospital and those referred by a physician. In Athletics, we are considering extending the 5<sup>th</sup> year of eligibility. We have to be very cautious because of the financial impact this could have. No decision has been made. In government relations, we are looking at the CARES Act stimulus package and what this means for UofL and the hospital.

**QUESTIONS/.COMMENTS**

- Questions: With the cancellation of elective and outpatient procedures, the economic impact is huge. Is there a plan for layoffs?
  - Reply: This is a big hit to us and others. There is no talk of layoffs, as of today. The high priority is to take care of our people. Norton and others have laid off people. We are looking at what to do. With furloughs, the federal government is adding \$600 per week, which may help. This is a major challenge for us to work on.

**REPORT: UNIVERSITY PROVOST**

BOEHM

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The provost began by saying she was also grateful and very proud of how well the faculty has responded to the students. She has had students tell her how generous and kind their faculty have been to them. Some have reached out to check on their students. The provost reported on the following topics:

- Pass/Fail Grades - The pass/fail policy was enacted as a temporary emergency policy for the spring semester only, and will revert back to the old policy for all summer sessions. She has worked with CPE to ensure that all pass/fail grades for Gen Ed courses are accepted at all state institutions. All but one have agreed to accept them for this semester. [The Summer Policies Document is online](#). Please send he feedback on the policy by next week.
- Committees – The following committees are all continuing their work – Advisory Task Force, Student Well-Being, Free Speech (and its subcommittees).
- Hiring Freeze – Though there is a hiring freeze, there is also a process to request an exemption. We are being very cautious because we still do not know the financial impact the university will encounter. So much is still up in the ai

**QUESTIONS/COMMENTS**

- Question: How do you think faculty should prepare fro teaching in the fall?
  - Reply:

**UPDATE:** [UofL FOUNDATION](#)

SHERMAN

**REPORTS: STANDING COMMITTEES**

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| • <a href="#">ACADEMIC PROGRAMS COMMITTEE</a>               | NG        |
| • <a href="#">COMMITTEE ON COMMITTEES &amp; CREDENTIALS</a> | FOSTER    |
| • REDBOOK & BYLAWS COMMITTEE                                | DETMERING |
| • PART-TIME FACULTY COMMITTEE                               | FULLER    |
| • PLANNING & BUDGET COMMITTEE                               | BRUCE     |
| • EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE                                       | SIMPSON   |

**OTHER COMMITTEE REPORTS**

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| • <a href="#">FACULTY ATHLETIC REPRESENTATIVE (FAR)</a> | WISE |
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**OLD BUSINESS**

**NEW BUSINESS**

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting adjourned at 4:20 p.m.

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Respectfully submitted,  
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Faculty Senate Coordinator