

UNIVERSITY OF LOUISVILLE

Faculty Senate Meeting Minutes

January 10, 2024

The regular meeting of the Faculty Senate was held on January 10, 2024 at 3:00 p.m. in the Chao Auditorium in Ekstrom Library and online on the TEAMS platform, Chair Eugene Mueller presiding.

SENATORS REGISTERING ATTENDANCE

A&S: Michael Cunningham, Bonnie Fonseca-Greber, Karen Hadley, Eugene Mueller, Natalie Polzer, Christopher Tillquist, Sherri Wallace **BUSINESS:** Jose Fernandez, Ben Foster, Kathleen Gosser, Dale McIntosh **DENTISTRY:** Justin Whitney, Jolene Zirnheld **EDUCATION:** Seth Eckler, Ann Herd, Carla Vidoni **KENT:** Shantel Crosby, Andrew Winters **LAW:** Daniel Canon, Lisa Nicholson, Enid Trucios-Haynes **LIBRARIES:** Tiffney Gipson-Goodwin, Rachel Howard **MEDICINE:** Forest Arnold, Matthew Black, Saeed Jortani, Ben Schoenbachler, Hugh Shoff, Victoria Statler, Jonathan Warawa **MUSIC:** Amy Acklin, Allison Ogden, Chad Sloan **NURSING:** Lynette Galloway, Amy Higdon **PART-TIME FACULTY:** Aaron Ellis, Roy Fuller, Joseph Gutmann, Ramie Martin-Galijatovic **PUBLIC HEALTH:** Lee Bewley, Jelani Kerr, Kira Taylor **SPEED:** Thomas Berfield, Adrian Lauf, Olfa Nasraoui

GUESTS ATTENDING

UNIVERSITY PRESIDENT: Dr. Kim Schatzel

UNIVERSITY PROVOST: Dr. Gerry Bradley

DIRECTOR-COMMUNICATIONS & MARKETING: Ms. Amber Peter

DIRECTOR- RESEARCH COMPLIANCE: Dr. Allison Ratterman

PROVOST OFFICE DESIGNEE: Ms. Whitney Sweeney-Martin

PROVOST OFFICE: Ms. Sarah Lopez

STAFF SENATE REPRESENTATIVE: Ms. Becky Patterson

ULARP REPRESENTATIVE: Ms. Elaine Wise

UofL TODAY: Mr. Chris Wooton

ALSO ATTENDING

Gail DePuy, John Drees, Erin Gerber, Alexandria Underwood

SENATORS NOT REGISTERING ATTENDANCE

A&S: Rachel Neal, Gerard Williger, Xiang Zhang **DENTISTRY:** James Harrison, Tiffany McPheeters **EDUCATION:** Meg Hancock **KENT:** Martin Hall **LIBRARIES:** Angel Clemons **MEDICINE:** Joshua Choo, Barbara Clark, Geoffrey Clark, Jennifer Hamm, Patrick Harris, Lauren Herrmann, Guillermo Rougier, Scott Silva, Alexander Williams, Brian Williams **NURSING:** Frances Hardin-Fanning **PART-TIME FACULTY:** Tina Johnson, Tim Roberts **SPEED:** Roger Bradshaw

ACTION ITEM: Approval of the [December Minutes – Mueller](#)

The December meeting minutes were approved and are linked above.

UPDATE: University President – Schatzel

Pres Schatzel pointed out that the budget proposed by the governor included only one capital project (not related to higher education) but added she was optimistic that the legislature will incorporate funding for a proposed building at HSC in an appropriations bill. UofL and other universities are also seeking additional funds for asset preservation in the budget. Dr. Schatzel also noted that performance funding was included in the governor's proposed budget.

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REPORT: [Interim University Provost - Bradley](#)

Dr. Bradley reported on the changes in program growth over the past ten years, Cardinal Core enrollment, and freshmen improvements. The presentation is online and linked above.

UPDATE: [Web Improvement Project - Peter](#)

Ms. Peter updated the Senate on the upcoming revision to the UofL web presence. Most of the major web pages will be updated by June of this year, with full completion by December 2024. The presentation is online and linked above.

UPDATE: [Responsible Conduct of Research & Scholarship Policy -RCRS Policy -RCRS Authorship -RCRS Training](#)

Dr. Allison Ratterman, Director of Research Compliance, reported on changes that have been made to the research policy and training. The changes are in response to the current research environment and changes in federal regulations. The presentation is online and linked above, as are the policies on Responsible Conduct in Research and Scholarship (RCRS), RCRS Authorship, and RCRS Training.

REPORT: Student Government – Depp

Mr. Depp reported that he is working on a book sale as had been held in the past. Details to follow.

REPORT: [Staff Senate – Patterson](#)

This report is online and linked above.

REPORT: Faculty Senate Chair - Mueller

Dr. Mueller reported on the following topics.

- Reactivation of suspended certificate and degree programs will include an evaluation by the Academic Programs Committee, which will make a recommendation to the provost. The graduate Certificate in Logistics and Distribution would be the first suspended program at UofL to be reactivated.
- A representative of the administration will begin briefing and getting input at joint meetings of the Executive and Planning & Budget Committees. Scheduling is underway.
- The CIO search is proceeding and will involve campus interviews of finalists.

SECOND READING: [Kent School Revised Personnel Documents – Winters](#)

There was no discussion, and the revised unit documents were unanimously approved.

SECOND READING: [School of Nursing Revised Personnel Documents - Winters](#)

There was no discussion, and the revised unit documents were unanimously approved.

REPORTS: Standing Committees

- **Academic Programs – Ng**
 - There was no report.
- **[Committee on Committees & Credentials – Gosser](#)**
 - This report is online and linked above.
- **[Executive Committee – Wallace](#)**
 - This report is online and linked above.
- **[Part-time Faculty - Fuller](#)**
 - This report is online and linked above.
- **[Planning & Budget – Harris](#)**
 - This report is online and linked above.

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- [REDBOOK & Bylaws](#) - Winters
 - This report is online and linked above.

OTHER REPORTS

- [AAUP Representative](#) – Cunningham
 - The AAUP report summarized results from a poll of A&S faculty on possible responses to the faculty compensation study. This report is online and linked above.
- [ULARP Representative](#) - Wise
 - This report is online and linked above.

OLD BUSINESS

None

NEW BUSINESS

Senator Natalie Polzer thanked the Executive Committee for its discussion on reinstating the faculty salary merit pool and encouraged it to discuss making whole faculty and staff for the retirement funds lost in the pandemic-related 2020 suspension of UofL's contribution to 403(b) plans.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

None

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 4:26 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Gretchen Henry
University Senates