

UNIVERSITY OF LOUISVILLE
FACULTY SENATE MEETING MINUTES
JULY 3, 2024

The regular meeting of the Faculty Senate was held on July 3, 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: Thomas Edison, Bonnie Fonseca-Greber, Karen Hadley, Eugene Mueller, Christopher Tillquist, Sherri Wallace, Gerard Williger **Business:** Jose Fernandez, Ben Foster, Kathleen Gosser, Dale McIntosh **Dentistry:** James Harrison, Tiffany McPheeters, Jolene Zirnheld **Education:** Meg Hancock, Ann Herd **Kent:** Emi Ramirez, Andrew Winters **Law:** Daniel Canon **Libraries:** Angel Clemons, Rachel Howard **Medicine:** Forest Arnold, Matthew Black, Barbara Clark, Geoffrey Clark, Jennifer Hamm, Patrick Harris, Lauren Herrmann, Saeed Jortani, Guillermo Rougier, Hugh Shoff, Victoria Statler, Brian Williams **Music:** Amy Acklin, Rebecca Long, Allison Ogden **Nursing:** Lynette Galloway, Amy Higdon **Part-time Faculty:** Roy Fuller, Joseph Gutmann, Tina Johnson, Ramie Martin-Galijatovic **Public Health:** Lee Bewley, Michael Sekula **Speed:** Thomas Berfield, Adrian Lauf, Olfa Nasraoui, Angela Thompson

Guests Attending

University President: Dr. Kim Schatzel
Senior University Provost: Dr. Gail DePuy
School of Public Health: Dean Kathryn Cardarelli
Athletic Director: Mr. Josh Heird
Director of Disbursement: Ms. Mary Alexander-Conte
Assistant Director of Disbursement: Ms. Rachel Wurth
Provost Office Designee: Dr. Cherie Dawson
Provost Office: Ms. Sarah Lopez
Staff Senate Representative: Ms. Becky Patterson
Student Government Representative: Ms. Macy Waddle
ULARP Representative: Ms. Elaine Wise

Others Attending

Academic Programs Committee Chair: Dr. Chin Ng
Biology Department Chair: Dr. Linda Fuselier

Senators Not Registering Attendance

A&S: Michael Cunningham, Rachel Neal, Natalie Polzer, David Roelfs, Xiang Zhang **Dentistry:** Justin Whitney **Education:** Seth Eckler, Carla Vidoni **Kent:** Shantel Crosby, Martin Hall **Law:** Lisa Nicholson, Enid Trucios-Haynes **Medicine:** Joshus Choo, Ben Schoenbachler, Scott Silva, Jonathan Warawa, Alexander Williams **Music:** Chad Sloan **Nursing:** Frances Hardin-Fanning **Part-time Faculty:** Aaron Ellis, Tim Roberts **Public Health:** Jelani Kerr, Kira Taylor **Speed:** Roger Bradshaw

CALL TO ORDER

Action Item: Approval of the [June Minutes – Mueller](#)

The June meeting minutes are linked above and were approved.

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Remarks: University President – Schatzel

Dr. Schatzel touched on several topics.

Board of Trustees - The Board of Trustees met last week and approved the budget, which is the largest in the university's history. UofL also received its largest-ever state appropriation this year.

Executive Vice President for Health Affairs – After a national search, Dr. Jeff Bumpous was recently hired to permanently fill this position after serving in an interim role.

Vice Provost-Human Resources – After a national search, it was announced that Mr. Darrell Clark will fill the position on August 1, 2024.

Introduction: Dean of the School of Public Health – Cardarelli

Dr. Kathryn Cardarelli described her journey from Texas to Kentucky and her eventual arrival at UofL. Dr. Cardarelli is a health equity researcher and is passionate about research and collaboration. Strategic planning will begin this fall to create a vision that incorporates input from all stakeholders.

Report: University Provost - DePuy

Senior Vice Provost Dr. Gail Depuy reported that there will be more students this fall than last year, despite the challenges surrounding FAFSA. She went over enrollment numbers, addressed administrative hirings and reported on new student fees. This report is linked above.

Update: UofL Athletics - Heird

Athletic Director, Mr. Josh Heird shared his philosophy of collegiate athletics. He received his MBA from UofL while working in Athletics about 10 years ago. He went to Villanova for three years and returned here five years ago. He sees athletics as a piece of the university as a whole and not the overarching center. This prefaced the main discussion point of the athletic budget. This presentation is online and linked above.

Discussion: Potential changes to the 2025–2026 Academic Calendar v.8 - DePuy

Dr. DePuy presented a proposed change to the spring 2026 academic calendar that would start the semester later in January and split finals between the weeks before and after Derby. The reason for the proposed change is to allow student services (advising, registrar, financial aid, bursar, etc.) more time at the beginning of the spring semester to handle transfer students. After a discussion of the pros and cons of the changes the following motion was made by Senator Jose Fernandez.

I move to maintain the traditional schedule that ends before Derby, and we recommend that resources be provided to Student Services to handle the increased number of transfer students.

The motion was seconded and overwhelmingly approved. The proposed calendar changes are linked above.

Report: Student Government - Waddle

The new SGA representative to the Faculty Senate, Ms. Macy Waddle reported that the SGA is working with Donovan Scholars and sought faculty volunteers to help with class registration on August 16th.

Report: Staff Senate – Patterson

This report is linked above.

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Report: Faculty Senate Chair - Mueller

Dr. Mueller reported on the following topics.

Blackboard Ultra Message - A glitch involving messaging on Blackboard Ultra has been fixed. When messaging is turned off by the instructor, the icon to send a message still appears to students. Faculty will now get an email with the student's name and message.

Signage Policy Feedback - An email asking for feedback regarding a new signage policy was sent to the university community. Dr. Mueller has requested that the feedback time be extended until more students and faculty are back on campus.

Action Item: Second Reading - School of Music Unit Documents - Winters

[Clean Version](#) | [Redlined Version](#) | [Summary of Revisions](#)

The revisions to the unit documents for the School of Music are online, linked above and were approved.

Action Item: Undergraduate Certificate in Healthcare Skills – Ng

Dr. Chin Ng, chair of the Academic Programs Committee presented the proposal for an undergraduate certificate in Healthcare Skills. Dr. Linda Fuselier, the proposer, explained the program and answered questions. The documents are linked above, and the proposal was approved.

Report: Diversity, Equity & Inclusion Ad Hoc Committee Report - Fonseca-Greber

Due to time constraints, this report will be made at the September meeting.

Information Item: Payroll Authorization Change - Alexander-Conte/Wurth

Ms. Mary Alexander-Conte, Director of Disbursement and Ms. Rachel Wurth, Assistant Director of Disbursement informed senators of the upcoming change to bi-weekly payroll submissions for staff.

Reports: Standing Committees

- **Academic Programs - Ng**
This report is online and linked above.
- **Committee on Committees & Credentials - Gosser**
There was no report.
- **Executive Committee – Wallace**
This report is online and linked above.
- **Part-time Faculty - Fuller**
There was no report.
- **Planning & Budget – Harris**
This report is online and linked above.
- **REDBOOK & Bylaws – Winters**
There was nothing further beyond the action item above.

Other Reports

- **AAUP Representative – Cunningham**
There was no report.
- **CODRE Representative – Rougier**
There was no report.
- **COSW Representative – Nasraoui**
This report is online and inked above.

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- **[Faculty Athletic Representative \(FAR\) - Wallace-Boaz](#)**
This report is online and linked above.
- **[Sustainability Council - Tillquist](#)**
This report is online and linked above.
- **[ULARP Representative - Wise](#)**
This report is online and linked above.

Old Business

None

New Business

None

Announcements

- Sustainability undergraduate student and rising senior, Jaden Ulrich is competing in the Olympics.
- There is no meeting in August. The next scheduled meeting is September 4, 2024 in the Chao Auditorium.

Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 5:04 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Gretchen Henry
University Senates