

UNIVERSITY OF
LOUISVILLE
FACULTY SENATE

DATE: SEPTEMBER 1, 2021 TIME: 3:00-5:00 PM SITE: HYBRID – CHAO AUDITORIUM/ONLINE TEAMS

ACTION ITEM: APPROVAL OF THE JULY MINUTES - SCHULTZ

The July minutes were unanimously approved.

REPORT: STUDENT GOVERNMENT - MEZA

Ms. Meza reported on a few topics.

Student Vaccinations - In an effort to increase student vaccinations, the SGA is considering a collaboration/competition with the student government at UK. This is still in the development stage and Ms. Meza will keep the Senate updated.

To hear more of this report, [please go to the recording](#) at minute 3:40

REPORT: STAFF SENATE – BROWN

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To hear more of this report, [please go to the recording](#) at minute 8:04

REPORT: FACULTY SENATE CHAIR - SCHULTZ

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To hear more of this report, [please go to the recording](#) at minute 9:17

REPORT: UNIVERSITY PROVOST- GONZALEZ

Provost Gonzalez reported on several topics.

Enrollment – Currently, we are down 194 students. Our budget was built on the assumption we would be over by 200 more students. We are now reviewing what level of students have registered - out-of-state, professional, graduate. Until we get those hard numbers, the budget is still somewhat fluid.

Covid Vaccinations - We have hired eight graduate students to get the data so we can report vaccination rates. This data will include vaccination rates by college or by program, as well as the overall rates. The most recent number for student vaccinations is about 67%. Higher numbers on the faculty, but I don't have the official numbers of faculty, and I hope we have them by tomorrow. Public health will help with analysis of the data so we could report students in College of Arts and Sciences versus Education and give those reports to the colleges. We hope that we could get some sort of competition going between the students, too. To try to get the vaccination rate up, there will be 28 pop up vaccination locations around campus. We are hiring a retired military lieutenant colonel to be in charge of the entire COVID response on our campus. He will start next week.

To hear more of this report, [please go to the recording](#) at minute 22:17

REPORT: EXECUTIVE VICE PRESIDENT FOR RESEARCH & INNOVATION - GARDNER

Dr. Gardner updated the Senate on several topics.

- **Awards** – A review of awards for fiscal year 2021 showed new records were achieved over the records set in fiscal year 2020.
- **Personnel** – Dr. Leigh Botner has been hired as the Director of Research Development and Support. She is a Kentucky native and comes to UofL from the University of Delaware. She is developing an orientation for new research and innovation
- **Procurement Policy** – A new procurement policy was approved yesterday to make it easier to purchase equipment on a research account. Because of severe financial challenges in the past, restrictions were

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put in place that were stricter than the state and federal requirements. This made it very difficult to make purchases on research accounts.

To hear more of this report, [please go to the recording](#) at minute 1:16:20

INFORMATION ITEM: OPEN EDUCATION RESOURCES – GROTE

Ms. Lydiya Grote is a Social Science Librarian from University Libraries. She also works on affordable learning and open educational resources that can help with student success.

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To hear more of this report, [please go to the recording](#) at minute 38:18

INFORMATION ITEM: INTRODUCTION TO THINKIR INITIATIVES - FRANKEL/HOWARD

ThinkIR is the institutional repository that University Libraries is launching. Ms. Alexandra Howard, a business librarian and Ms. Sarah Frankel, the library's open access and repository coordinator reported on this initiative. IR stands for the University of Louisville's institutional repository. If you are unfamiliar with the term, it's essentially a digital open access archive of scholarship created by the UofL community, which includes faculty, staff and students, and is managed by library staff.

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To hear more of this report, [please go to the recording](#) at minute 58:02

REPORTS: STANDING COMMITTEES

- [ACADEMIC PROGRAMS](#) - NG
 - This committee met and received its charge earlier today. Senator Karen Hadley was elected chair.
- COMMITTEE ON COMMITTEES & CREDENTIALS – JEMIAN
 - This committee received its charge earlier today and Senator Rebecca Jemian was reelected as chair.
- [EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE](#) - MUELLER
 - This report is online. The committee received its charge earlier today. Senator Eugene Mueller is chair by default as he serves as the Faculty Senate's vice chair.
- PART-TIME FACULTY - FULLER
 - This committee had no report. It will be charged at a later date and elect a chair.
- PLANNING & BUDGET – HARRIS
 - This committee received its charge earlier today and Senator Pat Harris was reelected as chair
- REDBOOK & BYLAWS – DETMERING
 - This committee received its charge earlier today and Senator Robert Detmering was reelected as chair

OTHER REPORTS

- AAUP REPRESENTATIVE - CUNNINGHAM
- [CODRE REPRESENTATIVE](#) - HARRIS
- [COSW REPRESENTATIVE](#) - NASRAOUI
- [FACULTY ATHLETIC REPRESENTATIVE \(FAR\)](#) - WALLACE-BOAZ

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 4:45 p.m.