

# UNIVERSITY OF LOUISVILLE

## FACULTY SENATE MEETING SUMMARY

DATE: March 6, 2024 TIME: 3:00-5:00 PM SITE: CHAO AUDITORIUM

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

The February minutes were amended with a footnote to the Chair's report. The minutes are attached and were approved as amended.

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

Provost Bradley updated the Senate on the progress of the faculty compensation study and the various ways the comparison schools were chosen. He also spoke about the change to FAFSA's (Free Application for Federal Student Aid) calculations of effective need and how universities can award scholarships and financial aid. Unfortunately, the change was not calculated correctly. As a result, every institution across the nation is unable to determine financial aid. FAFSA has told the federal government that by April 1, this issue should be resolved. He spoke about the A&S Strategic Plan, and the current Kentucky Legislature session. Dr. Bradley's presentation is linked above. To hear more, please [go to the video](#).

### **UPDATE: [Course Catalog Policy Revisions](#) - Depuy/Willey**

Dr. DePuy and Dr. Willey went through each of the proposed revisions to the course catalog. After discussion on some of the changes, it was decided to table discussion until some of the suggestions were implemented and to bring the document back to the Senate at a later time. To hear more, please [go to the video](#).

### **REPORT: Student Government – Underwood**

Ms. Underwood reported on several initiatives that Mr. Sawyer Depp, the SGA representative to the Faculty Senate, is undertaking this semester. These include student outreach, support for international students, destressing activities during finals, and the research conference at the end of March. The SGA also passed a resolution addressing affordability and open resources for students. To hear more, please [go to the video](#).

### **REPORT: [Staff Senate](#) – Patterson**

This report is online and linked above. To hear more, please [go to the video](#).

### **REPORT: Faculty Senate Chair - Mueller**

Chair Mueller reported that he asked the administration for clarification from Segal about the completion of the benefit section of the faculty compensation study. He also asked about the Trust Study and believes it is moving forward. To hear more, please [go to the video](#).

### **INFORMATION ITEM: First Reading – Revised Library Unit documents - Winters**

[Summary of Changes](#) – [Clean Version](#) – [Redlined Version](#)

As this was a first reading, there was no discussion. The second reading in April will allow discussion and a vote.

### **ACTION ITEM: Faculty Senate Bylaws Revisions – Elections [Clean Version](#) – [Redlined Version](#) - Gosser/Winters**

Revisions to the Faculty Senate bylaws regarding officer and standing committee elections were presented. The changes were approved by the Committee on Committees & Credentials, The REDBOOK Committee and the Executive Committee. Senator Dale McIntosh voiced concerns that the new language were not in accordance with **Robert's Rules** and made the following motion: *that these amendments be returned to the committee and recommend that they adopt language that stipulates the body will publish a teller's report of the results of all elections for the public record.* A discussion took place on the pros and cons of a teller's report. A vote was taken on the motion and it did not pass. To hear more, please [go to the video](#).

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### REPORTS: Standing Committees

- Academic Programs – Ng
  - There was no report.
- [Committee on Committees & Credentials](#) – Gosser
  - This report is online and linked above. Senator Gosser reported that there are over 25 committee vacancies to be filled at the May election meeting and encouraged senators to participate. The vacancies are listed in the report.
  - To hear more, please [go to the video](#).
- [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
  - This report is online and linked above.

### OTHER REPORTS

- **AAUP Representative – Cunningham**
  - Senator Cunningham reported that AAUP has had multiple discussions on the choice of comparison schools used in the faculty compensation study.
  - To hear more, please [go to the video](#).
- **CODRE Representative – Rougier**
  - There was no report.
- **COSW Representative – Nasraoui**
  - There was no report.
- [Sustainability Council](#) – Tillquist
  - This report is online and linked above.
  - To hear more, please [go to the video](#)
- [ULARP Representative](#) – Wise
  - This report is online and linked above.
  - To hear more, please [go to the video](#).

### OLD BUSINESS

None

### NEW BUSINESS

None

### ANNOUNCEMENTS

Senator Gerry Williger announced that Astronomy on Tap will meet tonight at 7pm at Monnik Beer Co, 1036 E Burnett Street. Discussion topic: "Light Pollution - from Annoyance to Heart Attacks".

### ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 5:03 p.m.