

UNIVERSITY OF LOUISVILLE

Faculty Senate Meeting Summary

Date: March 5, 2025 Time: 3:00-5:00 PM Site: Chao Auditorium

[LINK TO FULL VIDEO](#)

In memoriam: Dr. Dennis Hall - Billingsley

Dr. Dale Billingsley read a memorial for his colleague, Dr. Dennis Hall who recently passed away. The memorial is online and linked above. To hear more, [please go to the video.](#)

Action Item: Approval of the February Minutes – Mueller

The minutes of the February meeting are linked above and were approved as distributed.

Remarks: University President - Schatzel

President Schatzel provided updates on various legislative issues, including the NIH cuts, the Dear Colleague letter, and HB4. She discussed the potential impact of these issues on the university and emphasized the importance of communicating with legislators to provide clarity and understanding. To hear more, [please go to the video.](#)

Report: University Provost - DePuy

Dr. DePuy provided updates on dean searches, undergraduate recruiting, the Fifteen to Finish campaign, spring 2026 classroom relocations, and plans for inclement weather closures. She also emphasized the importance of the Fifteen to Finish campaign in helping students graduate on time and reducing their debt. To hear more, [please go to the video.](#)

Report: Student Government – Waddle

Ms. Waddle provided updates on SGA activities, including advocacy efforts in Washington, DC, events with the dental and law schools, funding for the testing center, and plans to extend library hours during finals. She also mentioned a social media campaign to inform students about new class modalities. To hear more, [please go to the video.](#)

Report: Staff Senate – Patterson

The Staff Senate met online on February 11 and heard information on athletic ticket pricing, the changes to the retirement plans, changes to the Cardinal Card use on TARC, and the University Club. To hear more, [please go to the video.](#)

Report: Faculty Senate Chair - Mueller

Dr. Mueller reported that he continues to advocate for faculty exemption regarding hiring the freeze, and sustainable funding for library collections. To hear more, [please go to the video.](#)

Information Item: Changes to Card Pass – Becker

Mr. Gary Becker explained the upcoming changes to the TARC system, and the use of the Cardinal Card. The program will include a transition from the Cardinal Card to an app-based system for accessing free rides. He highlighted the financial challenges and the need for better data on ridership. To hear more, [please go to the video.](#)

Information Item: TARC Changes – Posorske

Mr. Posorske from TARC presented the 2025 network redesign proposals, emphasizing the importance of community feedback. The redesign aims to address financial challenges and improve service efficiency. Two short-term plans, Limited and Enhanced, were proposed, with the Enhanced plan being more favorable. To hear more, [please go to the video.](#)

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Discussion Item: Proposed Bylaws Amendment - Winters

This was a first reading of the bylaw revisions (attached above). A vote to approve will take place next month. To hear more, [please go to the video](#).

Standing Committee Reports

- Academic Programs – Ng
This report is online and linked above.
- **Committee on Committees & Credentials – Acklin**
Senator Amy Acklin (Music) reported that a draft agenda will be distributed outlining the various committee vacancies to be filled at the May election. To hear this report, [please go to the video](#).
- 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.
- REDBOOK & Bylaws - Winters
This report is online and linked above.

Other Committee Reports

- **AAUP Representative – Cunningham**
Dr. Cunningham updated senators on various recent activities of the AAUP, UofL Chapter. To hear more, [please go to the video](#).
- **CODRE Representative – Rougier**
No report was made.
- COSW Representative – Nasraoui
COSW will host an open house on March 27th from 12pm-2pm, at the Cultural & Equity Center. This report is linked above.
- Sustainability Council – Tillquist
The e-waste drive is underway until March 12th and drop-off locations are in the linked report. To hear more, [please go to the video](#).
- ULARP Representative - Wise
Professor Wise informed attendees that the UofL Association of Retired Personnel (ULARP) has sponsored seminars on Hosparus and palliative care. She highly recommended learning about what services are offered in Kentucky and Southern Indiana. This report is linked above. To hear more, [please go to the video](#).

Old Business

None

New Business

None

Announcements

AI Survey - Senator Dale McIntosh (CoB) announced an upcoming survey to gather data on faculty use of AI in teaching. The survey aims to understand current practices and inform future recommendations.

Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 4:55p.m.