

**Faculty Senate Meeting
Staff Senate Update [July 5, 2023]**

Staff Senate met on June 13, 2023

- a. **Josh Heird (Athletics):** Josh Heird provided an update from Athletics. Highlights from his presentation include:
- Recruiting for the Men’s Basketball program has improved since the NCAA situation is behind us.
 - UofL has a new football coach, Jeff Brohm: 5,300 new season tickets for football have been sold. UofL will have 7 home games this coming season.
 - The Athletic department took part in the celebration of Coach Denny Crum’s life to honor his legend.
 - Athletics has partnered with UofL Health to provide 10 full-time mental health professionals for our student athletes. For the first time in 8 years, UofL did not have a hospitalization due to mental health.
 - 510 (out of 672) student athletes in spring 2023 had a GPA of 3.0 or above.
 - Athletes have a 92% graduation rate.
 - The naming rights for the football stadium (L&N) were finalized – an agreement worth \$41 Million.
 - UofL’s Women Basketball team is the only one who has been to the Elite 8 for 5 years straight.
- b. **John Smith (Chair):** John Smith, Kevin Ledford, and Carcyle Barrett met with Dan Durbin and the Operations staff.
- Chief Green wanted to make sure staff are aware of a few things ULPD is doing. ULPD is taking **proactive measures** (not in response to any particular incident). There are a number of cameras going up (a block-by-block initiative) primarily on the Belknap campus. The City of Louisville is looping UofL into 135 of their cameras. The City of Shively is looping UofL into 15 of their cameras. If a suspect moves from one area of the city to another, they can continue to be followed by law enforcement. Traffic cameras (not for moving violations) will send notifications if a vehicle enters our campus that is wanted for a crime off-campus. These cameras will capture the license plates of vehicles on our campus. They are not for issuing speeding tickets or traffic violations. Coverage is being increased on Belknap due to the new cameras and on HSC due to the cooperation with the City of Louisville and the use of their cameras.
 - Asset preservation money is being used to replace several HVAC systems over the summer. Some systems are so old, replacement parts are no longer available. This will cause temporary displacement of faculty/staff. Operations is asking for patience and understanding.

Submitted by,
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