## Faculty Senate Meeting Staff Senate Update [May 1, 2024]

## Staff Senate met on April 9

- a. **Community Engagement Strategic Plan:** Dr. Douglas Craddock provided an overview of the Community Engagement Strategic Plan. Dr. Craddock reminded us that every employee gets 8 hours a year to use towards community engagement. These 8 hours are separate from vacation and sick time.
- b. Legislative Session and State Budget: Dr. Schatzel provided an update on the legislative session and the proposed state budget. Dr. Schatzel also took questions from senators, many regarding the next phase of the compensation study.
- c. New Mobile App: Police Chief Green provided an update on the new mobile app (Card Armor). The app is available now as a beta version in the app store. Features are being added for full functionality to be available by late summer/early August in anticipation of the fall 2024 semester. Beta testing is ongoing. The app has several safety features including a 'virtual walk home' and 'mobile blue light' and the 'CardCruiser'.

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