

UNIVERSITY OF LOUISVILLE

FACULTY SENATE MEETING AGENDA

DATE: DECEMBER 4, 2024 TIME: 3:00-5:00 PM SITE: CHAO AUDITORIUM

CALL TO ORDER

Mueller

ACTION ITEM: Approval of the [November Minutes](#)

Mueller

REPORT: University Provost

Bradley

- An executive committee will lead the next strategic planning process, hosting listening sessions in 2025 for a 2026-2030 plan.
- Search committees for 3 administrators are winding down; Dean search for College of Business should conclude by summer 2025, and School of Dentistry's is about to start (to conclude by fall).
- Enrollment numbers look good for winter and spring terms, as well as Fall 2025, which already has 986 deposits (an increase of 42% over where we were at this time last year!).
- Hiring: 155 faculty (term, tenure track, and tenured) were hired in fall 2024 (most for School of Medicine). The turnover rate (excluding retirements) in 2021-2022 was 7.9% for faculty and 13.7% for staff. Recent data is showing improvement, potentially due to efforts to improve climate and compensation. UofL data is available at <https://louisville.edu/oapa/institutional-research-and-planning/visual-analytics>.
- In response to questions about the Libraries subscription packages, the Provost reported that the Libraries continue to negotiate packages and individual journal subscriptions.

REPORT: Student Government

Waddle

- SGA has funded extended hours in Ekstrom during finals, Testing Center fees, mail-in ballot postage, and holiday gift bags to Metropolitan College UPS Program students.

REPORT: [Staff Senate](#)

Patterson

REPORT: Faculty Senate Chair

Mueller

- Continuing to advocate for a Phase 2 for Faculty Compensation Study

INFORMATION ITEM: [Program GPA Calculation](#)

DePuy

- Students will have a program GPA calculated from either grades earned in 200+ level courses in their major or, for interdisciplinary majors, from grades earned in 300+ level courses.

REPORT: [Faculty Grievance Officer](#)

Trucios-Haynes

ACTION ITEM: [Southern Police Institute Center Proposal](#)

Harris

- A collaboration between Criminal Justice and Theatre Arts, this first-of-its kind program will offer trauma-informed victim interviewing through a combination of lecture and actor simulation.
- The proposal passed unanimously.

ACTION ITEM: [Graduate Certificate in Analytics for Engineering Decision-Making](#)

Ng

- Following concerns at last month's meeting about overlap with a College of Business certificate, all stakeholders met and determined that the content did not overlap but that the addition of the word Engineering to this one would help disambiguate the two.
- The revised proposal passed unanimously.

REPORT: Building Resilience In Campus Community ([BRICC](#)) Coalition

Hall/Uberti

- Provide programs, resources and experiences that increase resilience and reduce high risk drinking and substance use in the campus and community.

REPORTS: Standing Committees

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| • Academic Programs | Ng |
| • Committee on Committees & Credentials | Acklin |
| • Executive Committee | Wallace |
| • Part-time Faculty | Fuller |
| • Planning & Budget | Harris |
| • REDBOOK & Bylaws | Winters |

OTHER REPORTS

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| • AAUP Representative | Cunningham |
| • A letter requesting more information about the faculty compensation study received support from CODRE, COSW, UCW, and A&S and is being forwarded to the Faculty Senate Executive Committee and then to university administration. | |
| • CODRE Representative | Rougier |
| • COSW Representative | Nasraoui |
| • Faculty Athletic Representative (FAR) | Wallace-Boaz |
| • Sustainability Council | Tillquist |
| • ULARP Representative | Wise |
| • EVPRI Search Committee Member | Fernandez |

OLD BUSINESS

NEW BUSINESS

- A senator proposed moving the Faculty Senate's December 2025 meeting one week later due to the (Belknap) finals schedule. This requires a change to the by-laws. The Executive Committee will discuss this request.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- An event called Needle & Thread will be held on January 27, National Holocaust Remembrance Day, at the UClub Ballroom. It is free, open to the public, and intended to connect UofL to the local Jewish community.

ADJOURNMENT