

University of Louisville Staff Senate

Chair's Report

Tuesday, Feb 10th, 2026

I hope all had a good break, and we have had a very cold start to 2026. Already there have been a lot of conversations going on around the inclement weather decisions and our upcoming fiscal budget.

I shared concerns with the President and Provost around the inclement weather policy decisions as we have heard them from our Senators and their constituents. We want to see robust discussion in the shared governance realm around these topics that are so affecting and important to our staff.

The EC received a report and proposal from an ad-hoc committee for the A&S Faculty Assembly with several proposals for renewing and expanding employee benefits and requesting a cost analysis around these. The Faculty Senate has approved supporting the call for a cost analysis. We are going to resent share this proposal with the Senate today, and we'll look to potentially call for a vote of support for the cost analysis on this at the March full body meeting of the Staff Senate.

There have also been a lot of discussions around the budget. Potential headwinds we are facing, and the EC will be receiving an update from the budget folks around these later this month and are hoping we'll have more to share around this at our next month's meeting.

Senator Kevin Ledford
Staff Senate Chair