

University of Cincinnati Faculty Senate  
Report of the Chair  
May 11, 2017

Good afternoon Faculty, President Pinto, and Guests,

This will likely be our last Faculty Senate meeting of the 2016-17 Academic Year since Senate normally does not meet in June and July. It has been a challenging but exciting year with many changes for the university.

The work of the Senate will continue through the summer as we tie up loose ends and prepare for next year. President Pinto has organized the Provostal Search Committee and clarified that it will be a national and rigorous search. Confidentiality will be maintained during the initial phases of the search; however, once the committee has identified the finalists, they will be announced and brought to campus for an open vetting process. Faculty, students, or staff who wish to contribute suggestions regarding the Provostal Search are invited to email their ideas to [Executivesearch@uc.edu](mailto:Executivesearch@uc.edu). All suggestions will be shared with the committee.

There is not time at this meeting to highlight all of the work of Senate this year; however, that work has been documented and will be summarized in the Annual Senate Report to the University. That report will be posted on the Senate webpage by August 1. For those of you who are continuing on as members of Senate, the yearly orientation, lunch, and first Senate meeting, more commonly referred to as Senate Bootcamp, will be held on August 17, so please reserve the date. Pat Kowalski, VP for Finance, will discuss university finances and the budgeting process. There will be many other informative speakers as well.

For those of you who are finishing your terms on Senate, I want to thank you for your service to the Faculty and the University. It is greatly appreciated. Please remember that you are always welcome. Thanks so much to all of you for making this an enjoyable, stimulating, and productive year. I also want to thank President Pinto and Provost Landgren, who are both fantastic to work with.

Respectfully submitted,

Sally Moomaw, Chair