Faculty Senate Standing Committees are gearing up for September meetings and will be considering the feedback provided at the Faculty Senate Bootcamp as well as other current topics.

*Are you reporting to your constituents? The information you share with the faculty at your college is critical to the distribution of important ideas and topics. Please share all pertinent information with your colleagues and bring any questions or ideas back to the senate.*

The HB 616 Textbook Bill is being looked at for further clarification by our Academic Affairs Committee. Please contact Sally Moomaw (sally.moomaw@uc.edu) with your questions and concerns.

TEACH Act and fair use policies have been drafted and will be reviewed by our IT Committee with a presentation to follow at the October Faculty Senate meeting. Please contact Robert Rokey (robert.rokey@uc.edu) with any questions.

Today we will hear from Bleuzette Marshall, Chief Diversity Officer, regarding the Climate Survey that was conducted last spring. The Human Relations committee will be considering this more fully. Please note any questions or ideas you have regarding the survey and contact Datina Juran (datina.juran@uc.edu) with your questions and concerns.

There have been some questions about faculty responsibilities during Reading Days. The following information has been acquired in response to these questions.

- The Faculty Senate Resolution is available at [http://www.uc.edu/content/dam/uc/facultysenate/senate/docs/resolutions/Fall%20Break%20or%20Reading%20Days.pdf](http://www.uc.edu/content/dam/uc/facultysenate/senate/docs/resolutions/Fall%20Break%20or%20Reading%20Days.pdf)
- In consultation with Richard Miller, Matt Serra, and the AAUP: Reading Days are a suspension of classes to allow students "catch up" time. They are not considered vacation time. When proposed, faculty wanted to be able to use reading days for rehearsals, thesis defenses, class trips, etc. That is why the calendar on the registrar's website says "classes cancelled, co-curricular activities continue." Also, faculty are paid for these days. It is reasonable to say faculty could be required to perform reasonable duties during reading days.

Please consider nominations for the Faculty Chair position to be elected in October.
• The next Faculty Senate meeting is on October 16, 2014 at 3:30 p.m. at UC Blue Ash College in Walters Hall Room 100. Please contact Tracy Herrmann at tracy.herrmann@uc.edu if you need to use the shuttle.

• October 23, 2014 is the All University Faculty meeting. Please mark your calendar and promote this with your college faculty.

Respectfully Submitted,

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