

**Report of the Faculty Senate Chair
October 5, 2017**

Good afternoon Senators and Guests,

Fall elections are almost completed. There was a tie for Board of Trustees Representative between Dan Carl (CAHS) and Peter Disimile (CEAS), and a run-off election is in process. Other elected representatives are:

- Senator At Large – Brian Metcalf (A&S)
- Grievance Council – Patricia Houston (A&S)
- Graduate Council – Hilary Perez (CoM)
- FS Budget & Priorities – Robert Faaborg (Emeriti)
- FS Human Relations – Deborah Schwitzer (CoN), and Joan Sevy Majers (CoN)
- FS Research & Scholarship – Amy Koshoffer (Lib)

I want to thank all of the faculty who ran for these important positions. I also want to thank Tamika Odum for serving as Nomination Chair.

We have had a busy September and early October at UC. A number of searches for high level positions are in process. The Provost Search Committee has narrowed its search to the top 15 candidates. From that pool, finalists will be invited to campus, and all faculty will have the opportunity to attend an open session with each candidate. Other searches that are nearing completion are for the positions of Vice Provost for eLearning and Ombudsman.

Greg Lloyd and Cynthia Ris, LMS Subcommittee Co-Chairs, have asked that anyone who has questions, concerns, ideas, or recommended changes to the Bb Retention Policy as presented at the September Faculty Meeting please forward these to them as soon as possible. At the November Faculty Senate meeting they will address any changes that may have been made based on comments received. At that time, they would like to present a Resolution to accept the policy (potentially as amended) and to move it forward to the eLearning Governance Committee for final approval.

Our faculty representative to the Community Action Council, Edward Otten, who is a Doctor of Emergency Medicine and Professor of Toxicology, reports that there will be a Community Breakfast Forum on 2 Nov 17 at 11 AM in the Faculty Club, Lindner Center, 7th floor. Faculty are welcome along with the UC community. The program will include the Exiger Semi-annual Monitoring Report. Also, the UCPD received a \$40,000 grant from the Ohio Office of Criminal Justice Services (OCJS) to support 3 programs including the Police Explorers. Ed is completing his term on the CAC in November, so a replacement must be named. He suggests someone familiar with the Department of Safety and the UCPD. If you have suggestions for this

committee representative, please let me know. . I offer my sincere thanks to Ed for representing faculty and the university so well on this committee.

In conjunction with our conversation regarding shared governance at the college level, which we began at Bootcamp, Senate needs your help in collecting the following information:

- Decanal Review Policy
- College bylaws
- Unit bylaws
- Faculty handbooks

Also needed is information regarding adjunct faculty. We need help from you in gathering the following information from your Associate Deans:

- Does your college have an orientation for part-time faculty?
- What is the pay scale for adjunct faculty in your college?
- Does your college or unit have a handbook for adjunct faculty?
- What is the evaluation process for adjunct faculty?
- Are there departmental policies for part-time faculty?

Finally, a committee working on textbook affordability and open access policies would like updates on anything your college has done regarding textbook affordability, such as the following:

- Faculty designed learning packets
- Professor E-Publishing
- Incorporation of open access materials
- Decisions on textbooks that include costs

Please remind your faculty that President Pinto's investiture will be Friday, October 20, 2017. Faculty and students are invited to celebrate with food and festivities 3:00 – 5:00 on McMicken Commons.

Respectfully submitted,

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Chair, University Faculty