

Faculty Senate Meeting Agenda
Tuesday Feb 9, 2021, 3.30 ±5.30 pm CST

Via ZOOM

13. New Business

14. Adjournment

5.30

RE 2/5/2021

of a standing committee of the Senate or a joint committee with the Provost and how it should be conducted.

Workload Policy revision committee: Miriam Joseph sent a message to faculty via Ruth Evans on Jan 12th 2021

Workload Policy discussion: The revision of the university policy should not be conflated with the workload (teaching) issues raised by the Provost at the December 2020 Senate meeting this policy does not address those concerns.

Q&A:

Q: Is the Senate Budget and Finance Committee still meeting? A: Yes, but faculty do not have time to deliberate about the budget and finance issues presented during the larger meeting with the CFO. The Provost will work on providing information for senators and faculty to review pertaining to Fiscal Year 22 budget.

groups/single family units, developing podcasts focused on a range of topics with students and faculty.

Admission is now test optional. Many universities that did not go test optional earlier are struggling with admissions.

Still a need to increase diversity within the applicant pool.

Transfer Visits

The on-demand appointment system has increased contact with admissions staff from potential transfer students.

Q: What is the difference in filing a grievance or filing a report of violations? A: Interpersonal grievances should go to the Professional Relations Committee.

Q: Would the publication of these violations open the university to litigation?

Senate Committee Term Limits

Governance Committee would like the bylaws to articulate term limits for Senate committee chairs, which can be determined by individual committees, and succession planning.

8. No reports from: CAS, SOB, Doisy, SON, PHSJ, Parks, SPS, Libraries, SOL, SOE, Unaffiliated Units (INTO, CADE)

SOM: A permanent chair has been named for Department of Surgery effective January 1, 2021. Candidates are being finalized for Pediatrics, Pharmacology & Physiology, and Psychiatry. Filling each position will help provide more stability to the SOM. Most faculty in SOM are concerned about when the 5% cuts will be restored, the December financials for the SLUCare practice are being finalized and a decision will be made soon about the cuts.

9. Old Business

10. New Business

A discussion was introduced that asks the Senate to support to ask the Board of Trustees to consider their role in promoting democracy with the following resolution:

Whereas the Faculty Senate of Saint Louis University holds that the peaceful non-violent transition of government is an indispensable cornerstone of American democracy, and

Whereas the Faculty Senate of Saint Louis University carries the responsibility of educating our students on the principles of democracy and truth grounded in the Western tradition of representative government, and

Whereas, the Jesuit Conference of Canada and the United States has recognized that

Be it resolved that the Faculty Senate of Saint Louis University calls on the Members of the Board of Trustees to withdraw (suspend, terminate, revoke, rescind) any financial or other means of support from elected officials, candidates or political action committees that supported insurrection, the overturning of the 2020 election, or the disruption of Constitutionally mandated process.

Resolution was approved with a majority of senators.

11. Meeting Adjourned 5.45 pm

Respectfully submitted

Keon Gilbert