

Faculty Senate (FS)-- For Your Information and Updates

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I. FS OFFICERS, CO-CHAIRS AND THREE MORE FS MEMBERS ELECTED

On May 10, the FS Members elected Senator Julie Tate to serve as our secretary. Congratulations to her. The three officers of the Faculty Senate are: Yueh-Ting Lee, FS President, Bethany Rader, FS Vice President, Julie Tate, FS Secretary. The following senators were elected co-chairs who are approved by the entire FS members— Elaine Jurkowski and Seung-Hee Lee (Committee on Committees), Joe Sramek and Walter Metz (Undergraduate Education and Policy Committee), Michael Eichholz and Farhan Chowdhury (Budget Committee), Jennifer Sherry and Scott Gilbert (Faculty Status and Welfare Committee), and Patrick McGrath and Khalid Meksem (Governance Committee). Also, three new senators were elected—Walter Ray (Library Affairs), Rachel Whaley (College of Liberal Arts), and Sylvia Thoms (College of Business and Analytics). Congratulations to those co-chairs and new senators!

II. A QUICK SUMMARY OF FS MATTERS ON MAY 10, 2022

1. The FS met on May 10. All meeting information is available online via the FS website (<https://facultysenate.siu.edu/agenda-minutes/index.php>). The minutes for the two meetings in April that were approved on May 10 are also available there.
2. At the meeting on May 10, the FS members elected Senator Julie Tate as the FS secretary and approved the FS co-chairs as reported above. We also approved the meeting schedule in 2022-2023. Finally, Professors Edward Benyas and Anne Flectcher gave the FS members an update on Professor Ming Q. Xiao's case.
3. Our next FS meeting is on July 12. If you have anything important to put on our July meeting agenda, please let us know by June 15 via email (facultysenate@siu.edu).

III. UPDATES FROM THE CHANCELLOR'S OFFICE

**Faculty Senate update
May 23, 2022**

RECRUITMENT AND RETENTION

- New student enrollment continues to look promising for the Fall 2022 semester.
 - With 13 weeks before the start of the semester, admitted students for the first-time college student group (“freshmen”) continue to be up more than a third over the same point last year.
 - Applications are up more than 18%.
 - Registration for fall 2022 is showing an increase in numbers over this point last year, although the final number will not be official until the 10th day of classes.
- On campus transfer student applications and admissions are down but registrations are up; off-campus/online transfer student numbers are all up.
- Graduate student applications and admissions are down.
- Two New Student Orientations have been held with more than 300 students signed up to attend. More are scheduled throughout June.

RESEARCH

- The return of the Student Creative Activities and Research Exposition is scheduled for Sept. 20, 2022 from 1-4 pm in the Student Center Art Gallery. This is an opportunity for faculty, schools, centers and programs to highlight opportunities for undergraduates to get involved in faculty mentored research / creative activity. Contact Jackie Lindenberg in the OVCR to reserve a spot.
- The 2022 SIU Collaborative Grant for Health-Related Research RFP will be issued this summer with a deadline of Sept. 12, 2022.
- The new Vice Chancellor for Research and Graduate School Dean will be announced on Thursday, May 26.

**We wish you a great summer. Stay Healthy and Safe!
Thank you so much for your service and commitment to SIU and our students!**