

**Western Kentucky University
Senate Executive Committee (SEC) Meeting
Monday, October 4, 2021
Zoom**

Introduction:

- **Members present (Substitute):** Julie Lee, Janet Applin, April Murphy, Patricia Todd, Bangbo Yan, Trish Jagers, Francesca Sunkin, Provost Fischer, Shane Spiller, Dawn Garrett Wright, Anthony Paganelli, Liz Sturgeon, Matt Pruitt, Kirk Atkinson, Stacy Leggett
- **Guests Present:** Molly Kerby, Jennifer Hammonds, Rob Hale, Bruce Shulte, Amber Scott Belt
- J. Lee called a regular meeting of SEC to order at 3:15 pm CST

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A. Approval of previous month's SEC Meeting:

1. [SEC Meeting Minutes 9.13.2021](#) Sunkin (12 y, 0 n, 0 abs) Motion Approved.

B. Officer Reports

1. Chair - Julie Lee (no report)
2. Vice Chair - Janet Applin
 - We are in good shape on standing committees, but the other non-standing committees still have some vacancies (International Risk Management, DEI) that we are trying to fill
3. Secretary - April Murphy (no report)

C. Standing Committee Reports:

1. Academic Quality, Francesca Sunkin (Chair): (No Report)
 - a. Information: SITE Survey to Senate 9-28-21
 - Sent out survey to full senate that closes tomorrow. Will analyze results and have something to report next time.
2. Budget and Finance, Kirk Atkinson (Chair): (No Report)
 - We had a meeting on September 30th; Shane Spiller, Faculty Regent, will work with the Budget and Finance committee; Working with Internal Audit team
3. [Colonnade/General Education, Patricia Todd \(Chair\): \(Report Posted\)](#)
 - Met on September 7th. Motion Todd (12 y, 0 n, 0 abs) Motion Approved.
4. Faculty Welfare and Professional Responsibilities, Trish Jagers (Chair): (No Report)
 - Vaccine mandate has been forwarded to committee; not enough members to make quorum so will be discussed next week
5. Graduate Council, Martha Day: (No Report) –
6. Undergraduate Curriculum Committee, Liz Sturgeon (Chair): (No Report)
 - Had first meeting September 28th, which was after the date for a report to be submitted

D. Other Committee/Organization Reports:

1. Faculty Handbook, Julie Shadoan (Chair): (No Report)
2. Coalition of Senate and Faculty Leadership (COSFL), Robin Ayers (Chair): (No report)
3. American Association of University Professors (AAUP), Susan Eagle (President): (No report)
4. Diversity, Equity and Inclusion (DEI), Molly Kerby (Chair): (No Report)
 - DEI Conference has been approved; it will occur mostly on the 16th
 - Pride Index was submitted this morning

E. Advisory Member Reports:

1. Faculty Regent, Shane Spiller
 - State mandated education day was 2 weeks ago, which he attended; not another regents meeting until the 22nd; been a lot more communication this year, with questions regarding what is going on and staying connected
2. Provost, Robert "Bud" Fischer
 - Compensation model – still 2% out there with discussion still going on; more information to come by January 1st
 - VSIP funds – half of the funds have been released; asked deans to talk about strategic hires; hopefully this week we will have one more discussion and they will know what they can put out there
 - Academic Review – going back to 5-year review and continuous improvement
 - Discussion regarding changing the Spring calendar for 2022, specifically with commencement so it is not on Derby Day; commencement will be on Thursday night, with individual/college recognition ceremonies being on Friday
3. SGA President, Matthew Wininger

F. Old Business:

1. Other committees still missing Senate members

G. New Business:

1. [AA Policy 1.2124 \(Summer and Winter Session\)](#)
 - Atkinson, Jagers (12 y, 0 n, 0 abs) Motion Approved.
2. [AA Policy 1.5172 \(Full-time Staff Teaching Assignments\)](#)
 - Atkinson, Sturgeon (13 y, 0 n, 0 abs) Motion Approved.

Additional Discussion

- J. Lee - Senate conflict with date in March – 3/17 is spring break
- Proposed that we move the March 17th meeting to March 24th - this is a first reading, so it will have to come up again at the next senate meeting; Discussion took place regarding whether this was something that needed a second reading
- K. Atkinson – motion to change of senate date to be voted on during next Senate meeting. Motion Approved.

Adjournment: 4:08pm