LSU
Faculty Senate

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Dear Senators,

The end of the semester is approaching but the Senate's work continues. Later in today's meeting Craig Woolley will share developments in Information Technology Services and I anticipate that Sean Courtney, Research Compliance, Integrity & Analytics Associate Vice Chancellor in ORED will be joining us in December to share information about ongoing updates related to research security. Please be sure to remain engaged and to keep your colleagues informed as we proceed deeper into the holiday season and enter the frenetic final exam period.

1. Policy Updates

Scooter safety on campus has been a frequent area of concern among faculty, staff and students and I am pleased to let you know that a policy to address their use is currently under review with the administration. Turning to academic policy, Vice President Lopata, Policy Committee Chair Jon Snow and I will be meeting with representatives from the administration later this month to discuss potential revisions to PS-109 Unsatisfactory Job Performance and Performance Improvement of Tenured Faculty. I anticipate that we will be utilizing the model which resulted in the recent revisions to PS-104 which were received favorably by both faculty and administration.

2. Classroom Utilization Assessment Volunteers Needed

The Louisiana Board of Regents has engaged Gordian to conduct a classroom utilization assessment across its institutions. As part of this effort, Gordian completed classroom walkthroughs at LSU earlier this year and is now seeking input from faculty members regarding their experiences with classroom spaces on campus. Facility Services has requested the assistance of the Faculty Senate in coordinating 2–3 faculty stakeholder sessions on November 17, with approximately 4–5 faculty participants per session. Each session will last approximately 45–60 minutes and will provide an opportunity for faculty to share feedback on classroom functionality, utilization, and opportunities for improvement. We have still open spots remaining so if you are interested in participating in one of these sessions and have availability on November 17th please contact facultysenate@lsu.edu to let us know.

3. LSU Audiology Clinic

The LSU Audiology Clinic provides comprehensive hearing evaluations for LSU faculty, students, staff and the community as well as hearing aid evaluations and fittings for adults. For those with LSU First Insurance, the current benefit includes up to $2,400 per ear for hearing aids every three years. For further information on additional services and how to schedule an appointment visit LSU Audiology Services.

4. Reminder - Line Dancing 101

The Faculty Senate Executive Committee is pleased to work with Tiger Trailride and the Staff Senate to sponsor Line Dancing 101, an event for line dancers of all experience levels from beginner to old hand. The event will be held Thursday, November 12, from 6–8pm in the Royal Cotillion Ballroom in the Student Union. All faculty and staff and their families are welcome.

Sincerely,



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