My name is Brian Boyd and I am an associate professor currently serving in the role of Faculty Vice President. I am running for Faculty President because I believe I have important skills and experience that I can bring to this role.

I have been at Wright State for the last 15 years. My joint appointment between the College of Education and Human Services and the College of Science and Mathematics has provided me experience working across multiple colleges and programs. It has also taught me the importance of working collaboratively. My experience at Wright State and my work prior to being at the university have taught me that we all bring important knowledge and experience to issues and decisions we face as a university. I recognize the importance of listening and understanding the ideas, experience, and expertise that others bring. We have and will need to continue to work together in our efforts to make Wright State a great place for our students.

Serving as Faculty Vice President for the last two years has helped me recognize even more the vital perspectives that each of us brings to our collective work at Wright State. I’ve been fortunate to work with many of you in committees like the Undergraduate Academic Policies Committee, the variety of groups working to help the university navigate COVID-19, and the Racial Equity Task Force. I have also had the opportunity to work with members of the Student Government Association, and with faculty leaders across the State as part of the Ohio Faculty Council. These experiences have helped enrich and shape my thinking, as well as my commitment to serving in a faculty leadership role.

The last six years at Wright State University have presented repeated challenges for our students, staff, and faculty. With the announcement of retrenchment, we are likely to continue to face challenges over the next two years that will impact each of us, as well as our students and the larger Wright State community. One of my goals as Faculty President would be to find ways to support one another during these challenging times. There is important work that each of us is engaged in, and we must continue to support one another in that work while we plan for the changes the university faces in the coming years.