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There are a few important deadlines and upcoming events that all faculty should be aware of as we head into the midterm of the semester.

# **Faculty Senate Elections**

The nomination period for the Faculty Senate elections is now open, and expires at 5:00pm, Tuesday, February 22, 2022. Please nominate yourself or some of your colleagues to serve as senators. Nominees will be notified of their nomination via WSU email and will have until 5:00pm, Tuesday, March 8 to confirm to accept their candidacy.

Nomination Form: https://wright.ca1.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV\_5hHauMsOUy4dTb8

The election schedule, position qualifications & duties, a listing of eligible faculty, and other election information is available on the Senate Election webpage: https://www.wright.edu/faculty-senate/about/faculty-membership-senate-elections

The Faculty Senate meets each month, September through April, typically on the second or third Monday of each month starting at 2:30pm. Elected representatives will serve a 2-year term during academic years 2022-23 & 2023-24.

#### **Proposed changes to the Faculty Constitution**

A meeting to review and discuss proposed changes to the Faculty Constitution has been scheduled for **2:00pm**, **Thursday**, **March 10 in 109 Oelman**. Electronic voting on the proposed changes is scheduled to take place during the week of April 11, 2022.

Files associated with the proposed changes can be found online at: <a href="https://www.wright.edu/faculty-senate/about/senate-meeting-agendas-and-minutes/meeting/441321">https://www.wright.edu/faculty-senate/about/senate-meeting-agendas-and-minutes/meeting/441321</a>

# Background:

The 2021-22 Faculty Senate formed a Quadrennial Review Committee to propose changes to the Faculty Constitution. The Faculty Senate reviewed the QR-proposed changes during the January and February 2022 Senate meetings. As of February 14, 2022, the Faculty Senate has approved all proposed changes for final vote by the University Faculty.

Per Constitutional guidelines, copies of the proposed amendment shall be distributed to all members of the University Faculty at least ten (10) working days in advance of the March 10

meeting (see the files in the link above). Modifications to the wording of an amendment can be made by majority vote of the University Faculty present at the meeting. A quorum of one hundred (100) faculty members must be present for such actions to be taken.

At least ten (10) working days prior to a faculty vote on any amendment, all members of the University Faculty will have access to a web page that posts the proposed amendment and summarizes the discussion of the University Faculty meeting. No changes in the wording of any amendment can occur after it is posted.

Voting on any amendment will occur over a time period of three (3) consecutive working days.

# **Board of Trustees Meeting**

The next Board of Trustees meetings are scheduled for today and tomorrow. The Academic and Student Affairs Committee and the Finance, Audit, Government, and Compliance Committee will be meeting on Thursday (Feb. 17) starting at 2:30 pm, and the Public Session will be the following day (Feb. 18) at 9:00 am. All meetings will take place in the Endeavor Room. A link to further information, including agendas, can be found here: <a href="https://www.wright.edu/board-of-trustees/meetings/meeting/396221">https://www.wright.edu/board-of-trustees/meetings/meeting/396221</a>

# **Closing thoughts**

It is hard to believe that that we are almost half-way through the spring semester. I hope each of you is doing well and staying healthy. I hope that you enjoy the upcoming spring break, and that you take time to relax and re-energize for the second half of the semester.

Brian Boyd Faculty President