



### President's Report to the Faculty Senate – September 24, 2014

1. Congratulations to President Papazian on her State of the University Address.
2. Appointed to represent the Faculty Senate on the University Master Plan Advisory Comm.: Drs. James Dolan and Lisa Rebesch. (Report of first meeting, September 18, attached)
3. On September 19 the Executive Committee attended a leadership breakfast with President Papazian, with the Executive Committee of the Administrative Faculty Senate, executive officers of campus unions, and members of the Administration leadership. Future meetings will provide an opportunity to raise specific concerns, with the hope of in-depth discussion.
4. Graduate Program Prioritization Committee "Town Hall": a report on process and rankings.
5. Town Hall Meeting on Transform 2020 – Monday, September 29, 1:00-3:00 PM, ASC Ballroom. Please urge all members of the faculty to attend and participate.
6. Invited speakers for October 8 meeting:
  - Giovanni D'Onofrio, President, Administrative Faculty Senate
  - Dr. Tracy Tyree, Vice Pres. for Student Affairs, & Catherine Christy, Director, Women's Center
7. FS committee assignments: Unassigned? Please let Maria Diamantis know immediately.
8. Approval sought from the FS to issue informational statement to the faculty on the use of FAAR-generated *Candidate Information Forms* in promotion and tenure files. (See attached)
9. Volunteers sought to participate in meeting with new faculty to explain shared governance. Please add your name to the sign-up sheet that is being circulated. I am requesting that the Provost include the Faculty Senate in next year's New Faculty Orientation.
10. Invitation to participate in "CSU Connects." To promote among the public a better understanding of what CSU faculty members do and contribute to our communities and the state, CSU-AAUP has created the CSU Connects website called ([www.csuconnects.org](http://www.csuconnects.org).) Please take a look at it and forward the link to members of your departments. Anyone interested in having your work included, please contact our AAUP Chapter President, Cindy Stretch.
11. The Faculty Senate must decide how best to study and address these issues:
  - a. Department Guidelines for Promotion & Tenure
  - b. Effect of budget crisis on course schedule (sections, caps, independent studies)
  - c. Effect on the University of moving any program off campus
  - d. Forthcoming recommendations from Graduate Program Prioritization process
  - e. Need for more robust support for external grants and contracts
  - f. Possibility of moving research and grant oversight to the School of Graduate Studies

#### Faculty Senate Themes.

- Promote and support the strategic vision of the University. ■ Build a stronger working relationship with administration, grounded in the principles of shared governance. ■ Advocate the support of University leadership for increased opportunities and fiscal resources for faculty scholarship and research. ■ Work to ensure the academic integrity of the Institution in supporting academic excellence and advancing the success of our students.
- Honor the commitment and enthusiasm of the faculty through a strengthened sense of community. ■