

*“The Faculty Senate shall be the representative body of the faculty, deriving its authority from the faculty as per the Collective Bargaining Agreement. Its primary function shall be to serve as the agency by which the faculty can actively participate in the governance and policy-making decisions of the University on the basis of the principle of shared authority.” (Faculty Senate Constitution, Section I).*

### **President’s Report to the Faculty Senate – May 8, 2019**

1. A heartfelt THANK you to all Senators for making the past three years so enjoyable, despite the work that filled my days. If it wasn’t for your help, the work load would have been heavier. For that reason, I wanted to give you all a “hug” but I realized that it will be a mathematical, timing challenge with our full Agenda today!!! Yet, I have a SOLUTION! Hershey’s Chocolates!
2. Another great big THANK YOU goes to each and every Executive Committee member that worked side by side with me these past three years. Some are still here but some have moved on... These members are: Adiel Coca, Wes O’Brien, Peter Madonia, Walter Stutzman, Michael Nizhnikov, Luke Eilderts, Stephen Tomczak, Wafeek Abdelsayed, Michael Shea, Klay Kruczek, David Pettigrew, William Faraclas, Deb Weiss, Kari Swanson, Robert Gregory, Parker Fruehan. I appreciated all of your support and encouragement, thank you! You, too, will get a “hug”!
3. To the rest of you, all Senators, I wish to thank you and also give you a hug and a kiss! Please enjoy a Hershey’s chocolate or Starburst!
4. Deans Hegedus and Bulmer have reached out via email to request the endorsement of the FS on renaming the School of Education and School of Health and Human Services to respective College of Education and College of Health and Human Services. The reasons are the same as Dean Kalk’s from our last Senate meeting, that is “the size of their schools and the naming opportunities in the future to advance gifts and endowments.” Dean Durnin is still investigating the implications of such proposed change for the School of Business as renaming it to College of Business is not the norm.
5. Dr. Sandip Dutta, Professor of Finance has reached out to the FS, seeking our endorsement on the split of the Department of Economics and Finance to two separate stand-alone departments, i.e. the Department of Economics and the Department of Finance, effective Fall 2019.
6. Final Exam Week Monday, May 13 through Sunday, May 19, 2019.
7. Final Grades for Spring 2019 are due May 22<sup>nd</sup> by 11:59 pm.
8. Undergraduate Graduation is scheduled for Friday, May 24 at 10 am at the Harbor Arena in Bridgeport.
9. The Graduate Commencements are scheduled for Thursday, May 23 at 2:00 and 7:00 pm at Lyman Hall.
10. Tomorrow, Thursday 5/9, which is the Reading Day, the Senior Class is walking through the Founder’s Gate, let’s join them!

Status of AY 19 Faculty Senate Resolutions					
Number	Date	Resolution on...	For	Disposition	Comments (abbrev.)
F-2018-01	Senate approved: 9/26/18 Forwarded: 10/8/18	Resolution Opposing the CT/BOR Policy on "Academic Program/Low Completer Review Process"	FYI	Noted 10/9/2018	
F-2018-02	Senate approved: 12/5/18 Forwarded: 12/28/18	Resolution on Guidelines for Addressing Academic Misconduct	Approval	Disapproved 1/17/19	The memo of concerns from the Academic Affairs and Student Affairs offices is attached on the resolution and can be found on the FS website.
F-2018-03	Senate approved: 12/5/18 Forwarded: 12/28/18	Resolution on Grade Appeal Process and Form	Approval	Disapproved 1/17/19	The memo of concerns from the Academic Affairs and Student Affairs offices is attached on the resolution and can be found on the FS website.
S-2019-04	Senate approved: 3/6/19 Forwarded: 3/8/19	Resolution Regarding the Size of the University Academic Standing Committee (UASC)	Approval	Approved 3/20/19	
S-2019-05	Senate approved: 3/6/19 Forwarded: 3/8/19	Resolution Regarding the WF/WP Designation	Approval	Approved 3/20/19	
S-2019-06	Senate approved: 3/6/19 Forwarded: 3/8/19	Resolution Regarding the Creation of a Policy for the Awarding of Posthumous Degrees and Certificates of Academic Achievement in Memoriam	Approval	Approved 3/20/19	
S-2019-07	Senate approved: 3/27/19 Forwarded: 3/27/19	Resolution Regarding the Awarding of Latin Honors	Approval	Approved	
S-2019-08	Senate approved: 4/10/19 Forwarded: 4/15/19	Resolution Endorsing the Faculty Senate Curricular Task Force on Social Justice and Human Diversity Recommendations	Approval	Approved	
S-2019-09	Senate approved: 4/10/19 Forwarded: 4/15/19	Resolution Regarding the Membership of the University Termination Hearing Committee and the Mediation Committee	Approval	Approved	
S-2019-10	Senate approved: 4/24/19 Forwarded: 5/03/19	Resolution Regarding Recommending Emerita/Emeritus Status	Approval	Pending	
S-2019-11	Senate approved: 4/24/19 Forwarded: 5/03/19	Resolution Regarding the Faculty Senate By-Laws to include a Parliamentarian	Approval	Pending	

S-2019-12	Senate approved: 5/8/19 Forwarded: 5/16/19	Resolution Regarding the FDAC By-Laws	Approval	Pending	
S-2019-13	Senate approved: 5/3/19 Forwarded: 5/13/19	Resolution Regarding Digitalization and the Evaluation Process	Approval	Pending	
S-2019-14	Senate approved: 5/8/19 Forwarded: 5/16/19	Resolution Regarding the AAUP Travel Funds for 2019-2020 Academic Year	Approval	Pending	
S-2019-15	Senate approved: 5/8/19 Forwarded: 5/16/19	Resolution Regarding the FS Sabbatical Leave Procedures Document	Approval	Pending	
S-2019-16	Senate approved: 5/8/19 Forwarded: 5/16/19	Resolution On Misogyny, Gender-Based Discrimination and Sexual Misconduct	Approval	Pending	