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Faculty Senate Newsletter

Synopsis of the January 28, 2015 Faculty Senate Meeting

This newsletter will be sent out monthly and will provide you with a snapshot of what took place at the most recent Faculty Senate meeting. If you have any questions, please contact one of the senators for your school or college. The list of senators can be found on the [Faculty Senate website](#).

Certificate in Quantitative Methodologies

Professor Christopher Burant, SON, presented the proposed Certificate in Quantitative Methodologies. The Certificate is co-sponsored by the School of Nursing and the Weatherhead School of Management and is directed at Ph.D., masters and advanced students in social sciences. The Certificate will prepare graduate students to conduct and publish scholarly research. For more information, see the minutes which will be posted on the Faculty Senate [website](#) once they have been approved by the Faculty Senate.

Standing Committee Email Voting Provision

Professor David Carney, chair of the Senate By-Laws Committee, presented an amendment to the Faculty Senate By-Laws allowing Senate standing committees to vote by email. Professor Carney said that in drafting the provision, the By-Laws Committee had considered the value of face-to-face discussion and had therefore limited email voting to those subjects considered non-controversial or which are time-sensitive. For more information, see the minutes which will be posted on the Faculty Senate [website](#) once they have been approved by the Faculty Senate.

Revision to Senate By-Laws VII and X

Professor David Carney presented amendments to Senate By-Laws VII and X. The revision to By-Law VII is intended to make the language consistent with the change made in Chapter 2 of the Faculty Handbook regarding the definition of a school's executive committee. The amendment to Chapter 2 was approved by the University Faculty last semester.

The proposed revision to By-Law X states that in the event of a question as to which body of a constituent faculty is the executive committee or corresponding entity for purposes of Article VI of the Faculty Constitution, the constituent faculty may make a recommendation (by vote of the constituent faculty) to the Senate Executive Committee. For more information, see the minutes which will be posted on the Faculty Senate [website](#) once they have been approved by the Faculty Senate.

University Accreditation Process

Don Feke, Vice-Provost for Undergraduate Education, provided an update on the university's accreditation process. For more information, see the minutes which will be posted on the Faculty Senate [website](#) once they have been approved by the Faculty Senate.

Strategic Plan Action Agendas

Provost William Bud Baeslack provided an update on planning for the implementation of the 2013-18 academic strategic plan. For more information, see the minutes which will be posted on the Faculty Senate [website](#) once they have been approved by the Faculty Senate.

Report on International Affairs Strategic Plan

David Fleshler, Associate Provost for International Affairs, provided an update on Phase II of the 2012 plan for internationalization. For more information, see the minutes which will be posted on the Faculty Senate [website](#) once they have been approved by the Faculty Senate.

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