University of Louisville Staff Senate

Chair's Report

Tuesday, April 8th, 2025

Meeting Attended

- 3/12 Staff Senate Officers Meeting
- 3/13 Tuition and Student Fees Advisory Committee Meeting
- 3/13 BOT Audit Committee Meetings
- 3/14 Budget Model Committee Meeting
- 3/17 BDW Discussion Meeting
- 3/17 Admin and Process Improvement Subcommittee Meeting
- 3/17 Meeting with CNN Chair and Officers
- 03/19 Staff Senate Officers Meeting
- 03/21 Quarterly Staff Senate Budget Meeting
- 03/24 Board of Trustees Executive Committee Meeting
- 03/25 Staff Senate Executive Committee Meeting
- 3/26 Staff Senate Officers Meeting
- 3/26 Board of Trustees Special Meeting
- 3/27 Staff Senate Executive Committee Meeting
- 3/27 Senate Chairs and President Bradley Meeting
- 3/28 Staff Senate Meeting with CFO reports
- 4/02 Staff Senate Officers Meeting

We have seen some very large changes this past month at UofL, and I know that is foremost on most of your minds and quite understandably. I tried to share my perspectives from the Board of Trustees meeting where we accepted the resignation of President Schatzel and voted to make Provost Bradley our next President. While I know most of you may have wanted more information than I could legally share, I do hope what I was able to share helped you understand a bit of the reasonings for the decision I made. I can respect if any of you disagreed with it, but I stand by the fact I made it with full knowledge of all the factors facing us in a extremely tumultuous time in our organization.

Something I couldn't share in my original note, as the terms of his contract hadn't been made public yet, were the details of President Bradley's contract. We understood we were going out of the norm due to circumstances, so his contract is shorter than is typically standard, 3 years instead of 5, and in addition to annual reviews, at 2 years, he will have an extension review in which he will meet with a committee similar to what the Redbook would have required for a search. It gives us options at the 2 year mark to evaluate our decision and ensure that it was the correct one for UofL and its people.

I have high hopes for President Bradley in his new role, and hope that we can work with him to make sure UofL is a great place to work.

Submitted by, Staff Senate Chair Kevin Ledford