



Faculty Senate Newsletter

FACULTY SENATE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE:

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The UWG Faculty Senate met on March 29, 2019. The next meeting is April 19, 2019. Notice the short turn around due to the busy calendar at the end of the year. Calls for agenda items will go out April 5, 2019.

Summary of Actions

All items that were listed on the agenda were approved.

Other Informational Items

Dr. Robert Kilpatrick, chair of Foreign Languages and Literatures, spoke about the name change for his department. The new name is *International Languages and Literatures*.

Dr. Michael Crafton discussed the presidential search, including how a search committee may be formed based on searches on other campuses this year.

As you may remember, UWG has a "benevolence" fund, the OneUWG fund, intended to help faculty and staff facing financial crises as a result of circumstances beyond their control. Due to confusion with the OneUSG initiative, the OneUWG committee has decided to hold a renaming contest for the "OneUWG" part of the fund's name. Suggestions for short and memorable names may be submitted [here](#). Donations may also be made at the same link. The OneUWG committee will select finalists, which faculty and staff will be invited to vote on at the Spring General Faculty Meeting and Best of the West. The winner will receive some UWG swag and eternal glory!

As part of the campus-wide effort to implement recommendations listed in the March 2018 Faculty Senate Resolution on Diversifying the Faculty, Senators are participating in the Implicit Bias Workshop offered through the Center for Diversity & Inclusion. Two time slots were offered on March 29th, and one more is scheduled in April.

Elections

This is the year to elect a Chair-Elect of the Senate and a new Executive Secretary. The Senate is recommending Dr. Angela Insenga for Chair Elect and Dr. Colleen Vasconcellos for Executive Secretary. The election will take place in tandem with the General Faculty Meeting to be held on April 26th. Watch for additional information concerning the election.

Leading up to the April meeting of the Senate, colleges should submit the names of their newly elected Senators. Colleges should report Senator elections by April 7th and Representative elections by April 15th, and all new Senators are invited to the last full Senate meeting of the semester on April 26th. Notification of the election of Senators and college representatives to Senate committees was sent to the Deans of each college.