

## Highlights from the November 14, 2017 Faculty Senate meeting

These are the highlights from the November 14, 2017 Faculty Senate meeting. Minutes become available on the [Faculty Senate website](#) as they are approved.

Guest: Chief Information Officer, Gary Pratt, visited with senators about his vision for IT at K-State.

Standing committee and Student Senate reports:

- Faculty Affairs: Proposed changes to the University Handbook, Section F102, F115.1, and F121 were approved. Proposed changes to the University Handbook, Section F83 were on the agenda for a first reading and were sent back to committee for further discussion.
- Professional Staff Affairs (PSA): The committee continues their efforts to become more visible to the campus community. They are discussing the possibility of an awards ceremony for professional staff. They are investigating the dependent tuition assistance program as it relates to professional staff employees who are in term positions.
- Student Senate: Baalman updated senators regarding various student senate initiatives. She announced they have made appointments to the Tuition and Strategies committee, which will begin its work in the spring.
- Technology (FSCOT): Raine directed attention to an informational item regarding a retention schedule for Coursework Assessment Records. Cliff Hight and Ryan Leimkuehler were present to discuss this item and answer questions.
- University Planning (FSCOUP): Littrell reported on November 15 there will be an open house for the consultant who is working on a traffic study. She encouraged attendance as this relates to city/university fund proposals regarding crosswalk improvements. On November 20 in the Student Union, there will be an "EAB @ K-State" workshop to address hot topics in higher education.
- Academic Affairs: A proposal allowing Athletic advisors to have an Observer Role in Canvas, with a specific and limited scope, in order to assist their student athletes was approved.

New Business

- A resolution regarding Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals (DACA) was approved.

Announcements

- President Lindshield presented an informational item to senators regarding the reapportionment done of the Faculty Senate every three years.

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