Highlights from the December Faculty Senate meeting

These are the highlights from the December 10, 2019 Faculty Senate meeting. Minutes become available on the Faculty Senate website as they are approved.

Guests:

Provost Charles Taber visited with senators regarding budget modernization assessment and provided an update of progress.

Foundation President, Greg Willems, and his team provided senators with a presentation on the Edge Collaboration District, previously referred to as North Corridor development.

Standing committee and Student Senate reports:

- **Academic Affairs**: A revision to Section F103 of the University Handbook was approved. A new EdD degree from Education was approved and will go to Board of Regents for final steps of approval.
- **Faculty Affairs**: A revision to Section B of the University Handbook was approved.
- **Professional Staff Affairs**: The Docking Institute Survey results will be presented to the Regents; listening sessions are being scheduled for staff in February.
- **Student Senate**: The Tuition and Fees Strategies Committee completed their review of Engineering fees.
- **Technology (FSCOT)**: There is reorganization within ITS and future changes are expected. ITS was commended for their amazing work on getting data moved to the cloud in a timely manner.
- **(FSCOUP)**: They continue to be involved with budget modernization conversations, will participate in future with the K-State 2025 Refresh, and are assisting with getting CCOP membership lists updated.

Announcements

- KBOR meeting report; please see: [https://www.k-state.edu/today/announcement/?id=59288](https://www.k-state.edu/today/announcement/?id=59288) and [http://governance.ku.edu/cofsp](http://governance.ku.edu/cofsp)
- President González reported that there has been a heavy load in Curriculog this year. The summarized entries files for senators are no longer sustainable and they will need to begin reviewing these within Curriculog. The Curriculog training help website has detailed instructions and video tutorials.

Open discussion period

- **New Initiatives/For the Good of the University**: There will now be a brief period of time available near the end of First Tuesday meetings and Faculty Senate meetings to share potential collaborations and initiatives at their earliest stages of ideation.
- A senator commented on the disparity between the strategic initiative funds available at the University and the funds Foundation has been able to raise.
- Faculty Senate is working to set up a tour of NBAF.

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