

## Highlights from the December 11, 2018 Faculty Senate meeting

These are the highlights from the December 11, 2018 Faculty Senate meeting. Minutes become available on the [Faculty Senate website](#) as they are approved.

Guest: Charles Taber, Provost and Executive Vice President, discussed and answered questions related to budget modernization, specifically related to entrepreneurial proposals in the future.

Standing committee and Student Senate reports:

- Academic Affairs: Discussion surrounded the new MS in Physician Assistant Studies degree proposal, which was approved. It will need Board of Regents approval as well.
- Faculty Affairs: The committee worked with the vice president for research on changes to Section G of the University Handbook. These were approved. They are reviewing exit interview data as well as term appointments and representation.
- Professional Staff Affairs: The committee continues to review data from the professional staff satisfaction survey and will also be looking at term employee benefits and the representation.
- Student Senate: The Tuition and Fees Strategies Committee finished review of current college fees. They are setting up a college committee to review the Engineering fee proposal. The Tilford conference will be held at KU next year; faculty participation is encouraged.
- Technology (FSCOT) and University Planning (FSCOUP): These committees met jointly with the classroom planning committee at their December meeting and discussed the process and plans for updating and upgrading classrooms. A presentation was also given regarding the possible future of ID cards for faculty, staff, and students.

Announcements

- Spring open fora with President Myers have been scheduled
  - Salina – Feb. 13, 9:30 am, College Center Conference Room
  - Olathe – Feb. 21, 2:30 pm, Forum Hall (Room 110)
  - Manhattan – Feb. 26, 9:00 am, Alumni Center main floor
- President Wood announced there will be a tour of the athletics facilities offered to Faculty Senators in January.

Open discussion period

- A statement was read concerning the objection of the Arts and Sciences Caucus to the renaming of the College of Human Ecology to the College of Health and Human Services. Senators had discussion regarding the objection.

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