



**To:** Members, Lincoln University Board of Curators  
**Thru:** Dr. Carolyn R. Mahoney, President  
**From:** Dr. Debra F. Greene, Chair  
**Re:** April 2008 Faculty Senate Report

During February and March 2008, the Faculty Senate has dealt with the following issues:

The Missouri Association of Faculty Senates' (MAFS) Resolution on Faculty Senates Support and Compensation and Faculty Senate Survey were shared with the senators via the listserv and presented at the February meeting. Members were asked to offer suggestions as to what support and compensation would be appropriate for Lincoln University. A motion to approve and send to appropriate administrative officer was tabled at March meeting to allow for further discussion of alternative compensation formulas. The Faculty Senate survey was completed by the chair and returned to MAFS.

The Ad Hoc committee on Senate Bylaws presented its document at the February meeting of the Senate. The report was returned to committee to reexamine the issue of member of the Senate and the quorum.

The Curriculum committee reported its approval of changes to the French and Spanish foreign languages courses and to ask approval of the Senate. In addition, the committee reported its approval of a new Social Work degree program. The Senate accepted the reports and approved the course changes and new degree program.

The General Education committee reported its approval of the foreign language courses changes and asked approval of the Senate for this change in the General Education curriculum. The Senate accepted the report and approved the changes in General Education.

The Educational Policies committee reported its approval of policy changes regarding the designation of graduating with Honors. The Senate accepted the report and approved the change.

Chief Karl Hubbard, University Public Safety, reported the progress of the university's emergency management plan and the formulation of standing operating procedures for severe weather and other emergencies on campus.



Dr. Annette Digby, VPAA, reported on the implementation strategy for SB389 and asked for an Ad Hoc committee of faculty to help design the plan for posting faculty credentials by August 1, 2008 and instructor ratings by August 1, 2009. One faculty member from each of the eight departments will make up the committee. Dr. Ruthi Sturdevant of Computer Science, Mathematics and Technology and Dr. Mara Aruguete, Social and Behavioral Sciences have both volunteered their expertise to serve on the committee.

As chair of the Senate, I have asked the senators to consider reconstitution an executive or administrative board or council for the Senate to insure to all faculty members have direct representation to/on the planning and work of the Senate. The previous University Executive committee was responsible for doing the work that the ad hoc committees are being asked to do now. The reconstituted committee would not only perform the tasks of making and present election slates and recommending members for committees but would also receive proposals not appropriate for the three standing committees of the Senate.

Comment [G1]: Asked by Dr. Mahoney to remove until action has been taken.

The Ad Hoc Committee on Nominating presented the following slate for the 2008-2009 academic year:

- Dr. Debra Greene, candidate for chair\*
- Dr. Leon Stevens, candidate for vice chair
- Dr. Mara Aruguete, candidate for vice chair
- Ms. Marilyn Richardson, candidate for secretary
- Mr. Gerald Kendrick, candidate for secretary
- Mr. Michael Bardot, candidate for parliamentarian\*

\*candidate for reelection

The Department of Education gave an update during the March meeting of its upcoming NCATE visit.

Mr. Christopher Sutton, Student Affairs, informed the faculty of the changes in the Student Conduct System and invited them to attend the scheduled public forums on the same.

Respectfully submitted