

**To:** Members, Lincoln University Board of Curators  
**Thru:** Dr. Carolyn R. Mahoney, President  
**From:** Dr. Debra F. Greene, Chair  
**Re:** September 2007 Faculty Senate Report

The academic years began with the Fall Faculty/Staff Institute on Monday August 20, 2007. As a result of the establishment of the Staff Council, the Senate is now an academic faculty only body. At the faculty senate session during the Fall Institute, the faculty met the new VPAA/Provost, Dr. Annette Digby and discussed the proposed class attendance policy. The discussion was lively. The chair provided for the continuation of the discussion on the Senate listserv for one week.

As a result of the excellent work of the University Rules and Regulations committee, the Senate will have a very busy year. At the September meeting four (4) ad hoc committees will be created to work on the following issues:

- Liaison relationship with the Staff Council and Student Government
- By-laws for the Senate
- Delineating duties and responsibilities of the Senate officers
- Reviewing the Senate quorum

In addition, the change in the governance structure has eliminated the Executive Committee in its present form. In the past the Executive Committee has been responsible for putting together the Senate slate for elections and suggesting appointments to university committees. Although such a committee maybe reconstituted during the liaison relationship discussion, in the even that that does not happen, the chair plans to establish a:

- Nominating committee to slate candidates for Senate office
- University Service committee to suggest faculty for appointments to university and senate committees

Finally, the faculty senate is a member of the Missouri Association of Faculty Senates. The Chair and Vice-chair will attend the fall meeting October 8-9 in Jefferson City.

Respectfully submitted

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