

Dr. Leonard Githinji, Faculty Senate Chair's Remarks

Executive Committee Meeting

Wednesday, September 21, 2022

Dear colleagues, firstly, I'd like to welcome you to this second faculty senate executive meeting for the fall 2022. It is my hope that by now you have formed your respective standing committee and outlined your priorities for this academic year. I'm aware that some of you have already met with your committee members to outline these priority items. Special thanks to those who kept prof. T. Jackson and I posted about your meetings, including the agenda and outcomes of those meetings. For today's meeting we will be glad to hear a summary of the progress your standing committee has made. Tracy and I also look to have these summaries uploaded on the Faculty Senate Blackboard page.

Secondly, there are several items that Tracy and I would like to bring up for discussion during today's meeting, and also look to ask the administration for comments at this Friday's Faculty Senate meeting. These include: Updates on pay equity implementation plan and timeline; Streamlining of the Promotion and Tenure process; COVID 19 status on campus and isolation guideline; Progress on previously approved policy documents; and Update on VSU AAUP Censure.

Lastly, I'd like to share the good news about the launch of our Faculty Senate webpage. I'd like to urge you to visit the page and let us know if you have any comments for improvements.

Thank you.

Leonard Githinji