



Southeastern Oklahoma
State University

Faculty Senate NEWS BRIEF

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[FROM THE SENATE MEETING ON NOVEMBER 17, 2021](#)

COMMITTEE REPORTS

The **Planning Committee (PC)** has completed the survey for submitting annual teaching award nominations and plans to have this released by Thanksgiving and will be available until February 7, 2022.

The **Executive Committee's (EC)** introduced the Spring semester general meeting dates and the dates for the shared governance forums. The Senate will meet on January 26, February 9, February 23, March 9, April 13, and April 17 and the shared governance forums will take place on March 7 (Administration topic) and April 12 (Faculty Senate topic).

They met with the President on November 15 ([Meeting Notes](#)) and discussed the following:

(a) The Quality Initiative Proposal (QIP) is an initial step in a proposed framework for moving forward and will require study as we go.

(b) In regard to SB 1775, President Newsom noted that the university must comply with state law, and he affirmed his strong support for faculty's exercise of academic freedom.

(c) President Newsom and VPAA Golden agreed in principle to the [Resolution on Faculty Hiring](#) (see Motion 1 from the PPC, approved by the FS on October 14, 2020) with some clarification of the language and flexibility in implementation to accommodate changing needs and special cases that will arise.

(d) An extra day of Fall Break (in addition to Thanksgiving Break) will be added to next year's schedule. We will also begin working with a three-year calendar.

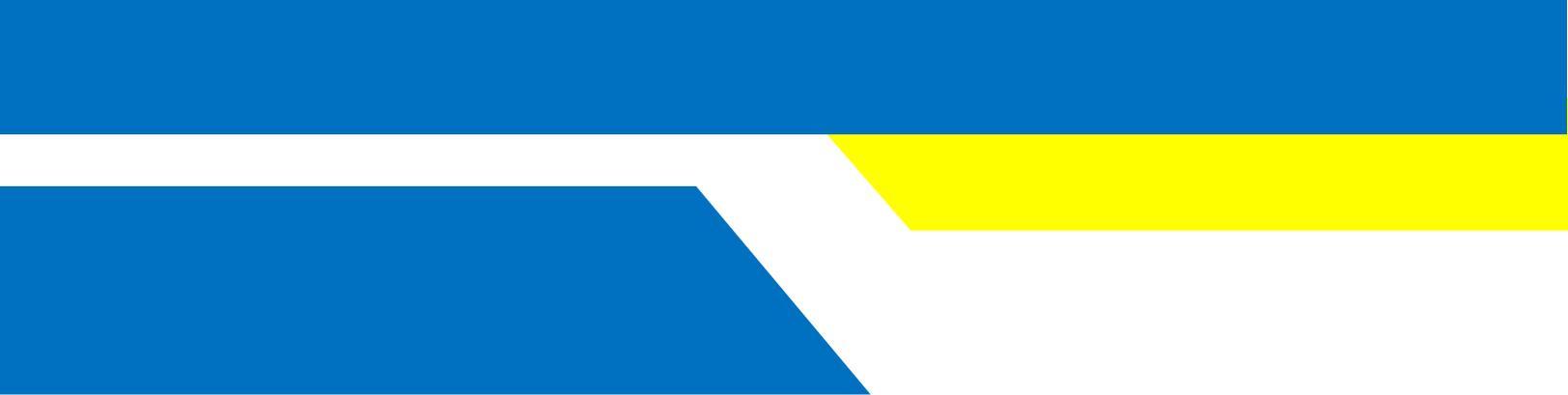
(e) President Newsom reported that we have entered agreements with [EAB](#) for marketing and recruitment and with Graduation Alliance (GA) on a one-year contract to contact and engage students who had applied to the university but did not enroll.

(f) President Newsom gave updates on vaccine mandate, graduation numbers, and the upcoming Fall Graduation with Chancellor Emeritus Glenn T. Johnson as the speaker.

(g) VPAA Golden noted that there was some confusion amongst department chairs about the post-tenure review process (PTR) in those cases where a department chair is going through PTR. The Personnel Policies Committee will be charged with examining the policy (APPM 4.4.7.3, point C) and offering any needed clarification.

NEW BUSINESS

The Senate elected a new Parliamentarian, Dr. Chaehyun Lee. Thank you, Dr. Diaz for your past service and congratulations to Dr. Lee!



ANNOUNCEMENTS & REMINDERS

Faculty members are always invited and welcome to attend meetings of the Faculty Senate. **The next meeting of the Faculty Senate will be at 3:00 p.m., Wednesday, JANUARY 26, 2022, via Zoom.** Please visit the [Faculty Senate website](#) for detailed information concerning *your* representative body!

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