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Chair's Report:

Cooperative Extension and Extended Studies: The agenda item was pulled from the original agenda, as the report was not ready to go to President Glick and the two units in time for the senate to have a copy. It appeared that some faculty in both Cooperative Extension and Extended Studies felt that they did not have much input into the process.

Candidates for Executive Vice President and Provost will be coming to campus. This is an important position, please attend the open fora. Here is the link to the open fora and their CVs.

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Review of the College of Science and the College of Liberal Arts will be coming this spring. The Executive Board is looking at committee members for these two committees and will be sending the charges out to the senate.

Review of Health and Human Sciences Reorganization to begin once the proposal is received from Administration. The committee will be ready to convene once the proposal is received from administration.

Committee Structure: The executive board was looking at restructuring committees. Some faculty senate standing committees could be convened in the spring and work through summer, and others could be convened in the fall. Charges from the previous committees needed to be followed up in each new committee. Once the recommended structure is completed, it will be brought before the senate for a vote.

Evaluation of administrators: All faculty are to be evaluated annually, but President Glick would like more of a 360 evaluation of administrators done every 3 to 5 years. The Bylaws and Code Committee would be looking at the bylaw language for evaluations and the executive board would look at how to conduct the 3 to 5 year process, perhaps through a standing committee that would also conduct the evaluations.

President Glick:

Budget Issues: President Glick was gratified that the executive board stepped up to support a delay of merit for faculty and administrators especially as they could not contact all of their constituents. This was also true with the student leadership and their surcharge fee. Glick said that the deans during the budget talks were willing to do the right thing and not just for their colleges, but for the university as a whole. There was discussion regarding LOAs, the consequences of not opening the Knowledge Center on time, teaching vs. research, and

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iNtegrate funds, and if the delay of merit is demoralizing to faculty as it puts less importance on the annual evaluations.

Human and Health Sciences (HHS) Reorganization: Jannet Vreeland, Interim Vice President and Provost has begun discussions with the departments to see where they envision their homes. Departments may feel that they belong in the New Health Sciences or if they may go with another college. While there are difficulties with Nursing and the School of Public Health and joining of the School of Medicine they would definitely go with the new Health Sciences Unit.

Student surcharge: Sarah Ragsdale, President ASUN

ASUN President Sarah Ragsdale said that there was disagreement on this \$5.00 increase being a surcharge. The leaders of ASUN have been discussing the advantage of the increase being a fee that does not sunset as opposed to a surcharge that does. The advantage of the fee would be that all of the money would go directly to ASUN for them to use. The entire amount of a fee stays on campus whereas tuition only 60% stays on campus and is allocated back the ASUN. With the fee would actually go to ASUN student services and the ASUN would turn over the \$4.30 per credit, previously allocated to them, back to the university to be used for budget shortfalls.

ASUN Upcoming Events: Shelley Kudelka, PR Director, ASUN

The ASUN sponsors:

- Flipside Speakers Series
- Coffee and Concert Series
 - Local Solo Acoustic Artists
- A defense awareness class taught by University Police
- Club Mixer

They are also discussing:

- Additional K-12 Outreach
- Shadowing by a regent and/or legislator