

To: SACUA

From: Luke McCarthy, Director, Faculty Senate Office

Subject: Director's Report on Faculty Senate Office Activities

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### Faculty Senate Office Activities

The FSO continues to productive:

- Continued a multitude of committee scheduling, agenda, and minute taking tasks.
- Continued performing various website updating tasks.
- Assisted the DMNC co-chairs running a 3/25 academic freedom event. The China Initiative and Its Aftermath: The Impact on Science and the Academic and Intellectual Freedom on Campus.
  - There were roughly 70 people in the room and about 101 virtual attendees.
  - A video of the event is being prepared and will be shared widely with everyone who registered to attend.
- Continued work on the logistics of holding a Faculty Senate luncheon for committee members, Senate Assembly members, and executive officers on April 4<sup>th</sup>.
- Began working with committee chairs to prepare final committee reports.
- Assisted faculty members with questions / concerns related to this year's faculty awards.
- Assisted the DAC with planning for an undergraduate scholarship donation drive.

### FSO Director Activities

- Began interviewing applicants for a new FSO position.
- Assisted the DMNC with planning for the fall DMN lecture, with speaker Judith Butler, and related events. There is interest in collaborating with the CEW+ for a related event while Judith Butler is on campus, and conversations have begun with CEW+ about what that might look like. There is also interest in coordinating a community read of Butler's most recent book, *Who's Afraid of Gender* (2024).
- Attended a "Foundations of Leadership" training session.
- Assisted the Senate Assembly Nominations Committee with chair nominations for next year.
- Assisted the SACUA Chair in various meetings.
- Assisted SACUA and the SACUA Chair with various 5.09-related issues and meetings.
- Assisted SA committee chairs in various meetings.
- Assisted faculty members with various grievance system issues.