



To: Chris Nagel, Speaker of the Faculty

From: David Zhu, Chair, Committee on Committees, 2018-2019

CC: May 6, 2019

RE: Annual Report of the Committee on Committees, 2018-2019

First, I would like to give my thanks and appreciation to the members of the 2018-2019 Committee on Committees. These members include:

David Zhu, Chair, CBA Megan Thomas, Any College, Library, Counseling Koni Stone, COS Suzanne Whitehead, COEKSW Marcy Chvasta, CAHSS Chris Nagel, Speaker Steven Filling, Speaker-elect

I am very grateful for all of their hard work and service towards the goal of faculty representation on various campus committees, thereby continuing with the principles of shared governance.

Additionally, I would like to thank Ms. Minerva Perez and Ms. Whitney Placido for all of their work, assistance, and support for the Committee. Minerva and Whitney have been invaluable to this committee. They have done a wonderful job of keeping us on track, organized, and informed and contacting faculty, staff, and administrators as needed. They are knowledgeable and have been wonderful assets to the Committee. They have helped me do my job as the Committee Chair and for that I am most grateful.

The Committee would also like to extend its appreciation to President Ellen Junn, Provost Kimberly Greer. The campus senior administration has made an outstanding effort to work with this Committee in the spirit of shared governance. We have all worked well together and maintained a friendly and cordial working relationship. We are very appreciative of this, and we hope that the positive dialogue and atmosphere will continue in the future.

Committee Appointments

As of May 6 the Committee on Committees made a total of 58 appointments and recommendations in the 2018-2019 academic year. These appointments and recommendations spanned across 27 committees, subcommittees, ad hoc/search committees, boards, and working groups. We understand that some of these committee assignments can be challenging because of the time commitment. We are grateful that many of our colleagues willingly agreed to serve on these committees even when faculty already have a high workload.

The **27** committees to which we provided **58** appointments and recommendations include (number of individuals are in parentheses):

- University Budget Advisory Committee (1)
- Search Committee for Director of the Academic Success Center (1)
- Academic Space Planning Committee (3)





- Building Feasibility Studies Committee Classroom Building II (2)
- Building Feasibility Studies Committee Acacia Court Replacement Building (2)
- Ad hoc Committee on Multicultural Requirement (5)
- Ad hoc Committee on the Academic Technology Plan (4)
- GREAT workgroup Advising Practices (1)
- GREAT workgroup High Impact Practices (1)
- GREAT workgroup Budget and Tactical (1)
- Bookstore Innovation Group (2)
- Search Committee for Diversity Center Director (3)
- Search Committee for Director of Academic Technology (1)
- University's Brand Refresh RFP Evaluation Committee (1)
- Search Committee for Stockton Center Operations Director (2)
- Search Committee for Faculty Director for Advising and Learning Cohorts (2)
- Review Committee for Director of Center for Excellence in Graduate Education (3)
- Ad hoc Committee for Pathways to Tenure (6)
- Systemwide Scholarship Review Committee (1)
- University Foundation Board (2)
- OIT Development Advisory Committee (1)
- OIT Security Advisory Committee (3)
- OIT Working Group on Academic Technology (2)
- OIT Steering Committee (2)
- University Institutional Review Board (2)
- Web Advisory Team (1)
- Ad hoc Committee to Review Class Schedule Modules (3)

Committee Preference Forms

This year, we received **118** Committee Preference Forms, a decrease from 165 last year. Thank you to each faculty member who submitted these forms as they make the work of the Committee easier.

However, as has been the case in past years, Committee on Committees struggled to assemble a Spring ballot that included multiple names for each position. In some cases, the Committee had difficulty in securing one individual to run for a given position. Much of the difficulty in getting volunteers may be a direct result of faculty concerns regarding workload and available time to commit to committees or positions that required great time commitment. Furthermore, the lack of or slow increase in new tenure-track positions and increases in FERP faculty and retired faculty have had an adverse effect on the recruitment of volunteers to serve on committees. We believe that this may continue to be a challenge but we are hopeful for change in the future with the new administration.

Respectfully submitted,

David Zhu

Chair, Committee on Committees, 2018-2019