

Faculty Senate Bulletin November 2016

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Next week, [faculty voters](#) will receive an email with a link to the ballot for the proposed [amendment](#) to the [Faculty Constitution](#) that would permit the senate to reflect the faculty as one body.

- **Open forum: Monday, November 7, 3:00 - 4:00**, 11th floor of JCK
- **Online voting: November 9 - 16**

The Faculty Qualifications team has completed entry of faculty curriculum vitae data in Digital Measures and faculty should now have received a copy of their CV as entered. Data entry assistance is scheduled to conclude this month.

- If you requested full assistance with Digital Measures, you have TWO WEEKS from the date of the notice to reply with corrections.
- Please use "track changes" (in Microsoft Word) or otherwise clearly mark word document to inform data entry staff what needs to be changed.

At the Faculty Senate's October President's Academic Advisory Group (PAAG) meeting with President Trauth and Provost Bourgeois, a discussion of the promotion and tenure process affirmed the following points.

- The importance of each discipline, department, and school's individual promotion and tenure criteria.
- The role of candidates' narrative statements in clarifying the cumulative nature of scholarly/creative activities and the importance of their accomplishments to the field.
- The faculty member's ultimate goal is to build a body of work, aimed at establishing a national/international reputation.

During the Fall meeting of the full Faculty Senate (senators and senate liaisons), the group gathered concerns from faculty including (among others):

- Faculty salary compression and equity
- University safety
- Escalating class sizes

In response, the Faculty Senate affirms its [constitutional purpose](#) with a special commitment in 2016-17 to advancing faculty freedom and dignity, university community health and safety, and effective communication.

More information about these and other topics can be found in the Faculty Senate [minutes](#) posted on the Faculty Senate [website](#), or by contacting your Faculty [Senator](#) or Senate [Liaison](#). The Faculty Senate encourages you to voice your concerns and comments on any faculty and shared governance topics to these representatives or directly to the senate via email: FacultySenate@txstate.edu.

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