

UNIVERSITY OF LOUISIANA AT LAFAYETTE

FACULTY SENATE REPORT

Ways and Means

Name of Committee

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Person Submitting Report

April 15, 2015

Date

Task of Committee (please indicate the task of your committee here): From the constitution –“ARTICLE IV. SENATE COMMITTEES. The Ways and Means Committee of the Senate shall serve the Senate as liaison committee to University committees. Its function is that of mediator in differences of opinion in policy between the Senate and the University committees. It shall present to the Senate recommendations for solutions of policy differences. Twice each year (at the January and April meetings) the committee shall report to the Senate on the status of University actions in response to resolutions passed by the Senate during the previous half year or, when appropriate, during the previous year. The committee shall also be assigned those tasks which the Executive Officer deems advisable.”

Progress Report:

#	Since the last Faculty Senate Meeting, the following has been accomplished:
1.	The Committee has further revised the proposed amendment to the Constitution to include changes approved by Senate membership at the last meeting. The “President of the Faculty Senate and the “President of the University” are identified as such in every instance of the senate constitution. Article III now includes the wording “The President of the Faculty Senate or an appointed representative shall preside at all meetings of the Faculty Senate”.
2.	The committee has reviewed the new merit evaluation procedure proposal to replace the existing wording in the Faculty Handbook. The proposed changes have been submitted to the Executive Officer and the committee has recommended a change to the following sentence: “Ultimately, salary increases awarded by the University are based on these merit rankings scores and are generally awarded at the beginning of the academic year.” The proposed change is as follows: “Ultimately, salary increases awarded by the University are at least partially based on these merit rankings scores and are generally awarded at the beginning of the academic year.”
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Committee Members Present at Committee Meetings:

#	List the members of your Committee who attended Committee Meetings since the last Faculty Senate Meeting:
1.	N/A: The committee has acted via email and Moodle
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Anticipated Future Plans

#	Before the next Faculty Senate Meeting, the following actions are planned:
1.	The committee will review the proposal for a permanent senate budget committee set forth by the ad hoc committee for the creation of the senate budget committee.
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Action Required by the Faculty Senate (list any action that needs to be taken by the Faculty Senate as a result of this report)

Vote on the proposed Constitutional amendments.