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***The Chair of each Faculty Senate Committee shall report at least once each semester to the chair of the Executive Committee regarding the business conducted by the Faculty Senate Committee….***

***It shall be the responsibility of committee chairs to monitor their committee membership’s status and any vacancies (whether occurring by repeated absence, leave of absence, resignation or retirement), and promptly report any occurring vacancies to the Senate leadership.***

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***Report to the Faculty Senate Executive Committee* Date:**  4/28/2022

**“x” or circle:**   **Mid-year report X Year-end report**

**Committee Name**: **Committee on Faculty Participation in Governance**

**Chair or Co-Chairs: Seth Ketron**

**Meetings for the term/year:** **October 6, 2021 and March 28, 2022**

**Membership and Attendance** (year-to-date attendance record):

**These column and row titles may vary based upon the nature of the committee composition. Please highlight names of members missing three or more meetings.**

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| **Group Represented, committee office, if applicable** | **Name** | **Department or administrative unit affiliation** | **Term End**  **(if applicable)** | **Meetings Attended** | **Meetings Absent / # Excused** |
| Chair | Seth Ketron | NCF | 2024 | 2 | 0 / 0 |
| Co-chair | - | - | - | - | - |
| Secretary | - | - | - | - | - |
| Group I | Sophie Morton | WLLC | 2022 | 2 | 0 / 0 |
| Group II | Scott Warren | LTEC | 2022 | 2 | 0 / 0 |
| Group III | Xuexia Wang | MATH | 2024 | 0 | 2 / 1 |
| Group IV | Seth Ketron | NCF | 2024 | 2 | 0 / 0 |
| Group V | Michael Sexton | MGMT | 2022 | 1 | 1 / 1 |
| Group VI | Miriam Boesch | EPSY | 2022 | 1 | 1 / 1 |
| Group VII | Karen Anderson-Lain | COMM | 2023 | 2 | 0 / 0 |
| Group VIII | - |  |  |  |  |
| At-large | Carole-Ann Costabile-Heming | WLLC | As appt by UFGC | 0 | 2 / 2 |

**The Executive Committee establishes charges for each standing committee and may amend them as needed; alternatively, the standing committee may propose amended charges, composition, etc., by making a written proposal and sending to the Faculty Senate office** [**facultysenate@unt.edu**](mailto:facultysenate@unt.edu)**.) Do your committee charges remain relevant? If not, what changes to the charges do you propose?**

**There are no irrelevancies to report at this time.**

**Accomplishments (including items submitted for review or approval to the Executive Committee or Faculty Senate):**

**The committee met in October 2021 to discuss the following issues:**

* ***An annual survey of faculty regarding shared governance*. The committee plans to disseminate the survey again in Spring 2022 as a “temperature check” of faculty perceptions. The survey will be provided to the Executive Committee closer to the time of dissemination (in February/March 2022).**
* ***A charge for the committee.* After the meeting, Seth Ketron reached out to Scott Belshaw regarding a charge. Scott affirmed in January 2022 that there was no charge for the committee at this time. William pointed to the committee webpage for points that the committee can address.**
* ***Issues related to governance.* The shift of the Fine Arts Committee to an administrative committee was discussed considering the further threat to faculty participation in governance. The committee plans to continue to question potential threats to faculty governance.**

**The committee met again on March 28, 2022 to discuss the following:**

* ***Preliminary results of the survey.* This was the primary focus of the meeting. We discussed general scores on key measures and also developed a plan for qualitative analysis of the comments. Scott Warren and his PhD students worked on this analysis, and Dr. Warren produced a report on the themes present in the survey. These themes and other important information from the survey are available in the preliminary report presented to/discussed with EC on Wednesday, April 27, 2022.**
* ***Policy clarification regarding search committee recommendations and administrative decision-making.* The committee discussed reaching out to Adam and/or Elizabeth about policies related to faculty search committee recommendations. Elizabeth confirmed in a follow-up email that there are no policies specifically governing administrators’ decision-making regarding search committee recommendations and that this is handled more at the departmental/college level through by-laws and similar mechanisms. This information contributed to the preliminary report and recommendations regarding perceived disconnects between faculty committee recommendations and administrative decision-making.**
* ***Reapportionment.* The committee was unsure when reapportionment would next occur given that the last reapportionment was a few years ago. This may affect committee representation.**

**Ongoing/future projects:**

**Going into the next academic year, we plan to work on the following:**

* **Further discussions of recommendations stemming from the survey in Spring 2022, including but not limited to recommendations presented in the report. This will include the Provost and any other relevant administrators/groups.**
* **Review committee webpage for action items and potential revisions/updates to be made.**
* **Address any new issues or concerns that come to the committee.**