

Faculty Regent Update to Faculty Senate

November 4, 2019

Dear Senators,

During the last several weeks, I have had the opportunity to work alongside many of you on several university committees, and please accept my great appreciation to you. Most notably, I am particularly grateful to your voting members of your Executive Committee for their thorough work on completing the annual administrative review of the president.

Thank you Exec. Committee for Summary Report: Annual Admin. Review of President

Chair Ciocca provided the committee's 85-page summary document to the Board of Regents earlier this week, and please know that the work done (and time given) by your Chair and the committee is appreciated and admirable. The senate leaders who helped lay the architecture for this report last year are also to be commended. Lastly, thank you for your participation and/or encouragement of your faculty peers to participate. The response rate was 51.8%.

Faculty Engagement Opportunities to Support University, Community & Commonwealth

- (1) Along with Lynnette Noblitt, Chair and Professor of Government, I have been appointed to serve on Madison County's/EKU's Census 2020 Complete Count Committee. Over the next few months, your support and encouragement of Professor Noblitt and the Complete Count Committee's work will be appreciated as federal financial resources entering our community depend upon our headcount during the 2020 Census.
- (2) The Kentucky General Election is tomorrow (Tuesday, November 5) and I hope all faculty (and all persons) who are able to exercise this civic right do so, if already not done so.
- (3) A "Red [Maroon] Tape Reduction Initiative Committee" has been established to help find savings and remove unnecessary roadblocks that may be slowing our work. In the coming weeks or months, the committee will be listening to ideas and gathering feedback for making recommendations. Your ideas and suggestions will be valuable.

Next Board of Regents Meeting: The next regularly scheduled meeting of the BoR is November 19th at 12:30 p.m. The planned location will be in Martin Hall. As details become available, I'll notify the senate.

Lastly, I thank you for your support and service to ECU and our students. May my absence provide your meeting with a bit more brevity. Should you have any questions or would like to talk with me, I can be reached at jason.marion@ecu.edu or by cell at 513-317-9508.

Sincerely,
Jason W. Marion
Faculty Regent