

Faculty Senate Talking Points, November 17, 2020:

- COVID-19 update: presently three Greek Chapters are in quarantine and 27 students are in isolation. Last week 1756 people were tested. Nearly 22,000 tests have been done throughout the semester.
- A reminder that after this Friday all classes must be online.
- The interviews and meetings with the finalists for the position of Provost and Executive Vice President are in progress. The recordings of the open sessions will be posted after all the candidates have had their session (so Thursday afternoon is the soonest); simultaneously, the feedback forms will be posted. They are currently scheduled to stay open until mid-day November 30.
<https://www.uidaho.edu/president/search/provost/finalists>
- The survey seeking volunteers for Senate Committees went out two weeks ago. Please fill out the survey if you are interested in serving on a committee. Please also encourage your colleagues to complete the survey by December 11.
- Online Education: Chandra Zenner Ford, Scott Green, and Jerry McMurtry joined the meeting to discuss plans of the Online Education Working Group and gather input from the Senate. For more information, see the White Paper attached to the binder of the November 17 Senate meeting.
- Senate expressed interest in undertaking a conversation about committee structure to ensure that committees are best positioned to accomplish their tasks as defined in FSH 1640.
- Check the Daily Register and the Faculty/Staff Facebook for a thoughtful message of appreciation from the Associated Students at the University of Idaho! And have a safe and peaceful break.

Important dates:

- Next University Faculty Meeting: December 9, 2:30p.m. to 4:00p.m. Save the Date!
- Deadline to request delay for promotion and/or tenure is March 14, 2021.

All Faculty Senate agendas (including attachments and supporting documents) and meeting minutes are made available on the new Senate webpage: <https://www.uidaho.edu/governance>

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