Faculty Senate Talking Points, December 7, 2021, Meeting #16

- COVID update:
  - The mask mandate remains through Commencement.
  - In Georgia an injunction to put the vaccine federal mandate on hold was granted. U of I is not moving forward with the mandate.

- Canvas transition: On behalf of CETL, Senator Erin Chapman gave a presentation on the migration to Canvas. Blackboard will become unavailable March 1, 2022. Canvas is currently available at https://canvas.uidaho.edu and Spring 2022 courses can be created. Erin provided information on the many available support resources. For questions, please contact the Instructional Design Team at coursdesign@uidaho.edu.

- Vice President Brian Foisy visited Senate for a thorough budget update. The presentation slides can be found in the binder for this meeting. The key takeaway is that our budget position has improved but we still need to make progress on our financial standing. Due to the late hour, the discussion had to be cut. Please send questions from yourself and your constituents to FSL. We will gather them and forward them to Vice President Foisy.

- Important dates:
  - Commencement is on Saturday, December 11, at 12:30.

- We thank you for a productive semester and wish you all the best for the holiday season!

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