Faculty Senate Talking Points, September 6, 2022, Meeting #3

- Chair Quinnett provided an overview of pending business from AY 2021-22 and new issues prioritized by senators during the August 18 Senate Retreat. Top priorities are: non-tenure-track faculty and instructor compensation and support; faculty retention and recruiting; faculty contracts, with a special focus on “spread pay.”

- The Paid Parental Leave policy is being drafted.

- The new Student Feedback on Teaching Effectiveness (SFTE) – currently Student Evaluation of Teaching (SET) – is almost ready to come to Senate.

- The ombuds search is progressing. In the meantime, a temporary ombuds can provide assistance. [https://www.uidaho.edu/governance/faculty-staff/ombuds](https://www.uidaho.edu/governance/faculty-staff/ombuds)

- Sydney Freeman, Professor, College of Education, Health & Human Sciences, and Mario Pile, Director of the Black/African American Cultural Center, Office of Equity and Diversity, visited Senate. Mario led a conversation focused on retention of Black and African American students, who drop at an alarming rate. Sydney spoke on the challenges of mid-career faculty.

Important dates and events:

- **First UFM of AY 2022-23:** September 19 at 3:00PM. Please attend if you can!

- The Annual Employee Training is due November 18. It opened September 1.

- The Women Center is celebrating its 50th anniversary! It is one of the oldest in the country that’s in existence. [https://www.uidaho.edu/womens-center/events/50th-anniversary](https://www.uidaho.edu/womens-center/events/50th-anniversary)

- A Hiroshima survivor, author and activist, is the keynote of a four-day event to better understand the broad implications of atomic warfare, hosted by the University of Idaho. [Remembering Hiroshima](https://www.uidaho.edu/womens-center/events/50th-anniversary) is Monday to Thursday, Sept. 12-15, on the Moscow campus and features a variety of speakers and events, all free and open to the public.


- The Department of Family and Consumer Science( FCS) is celebrating its 120th Anniversary with events on September 16 and 17. [https://www.uidaho.edu/cals/family-and-consumer-sciences/news/120-year](https://www.uidaho.edu/cals/family-and-consumer-sciences/news/120-year)

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