Faculty Senate Talking Points, September 20, 2022, Meeting #5

- Senate Leadership wishes to form a task force to address the needs of, and support for, non-tenure-track faculty. Volunteers are needed to serve on the task force and to seek other interested people among their constituents.

- Sustainability White Paper – Dennis Becker, Sarah Dawson, Lee Espey, Chandra Ford, Scott Green visited Senate to answer questions and gather input from Senate on the Sustainability White Paper. Please, visit https://www.uidaho.edu/president/university-working-groups/sustainability. At the Q&A, some senators brought up the importance of human and social sustainability.

- The VandalStar Advisory Board is looking for members and hopes to get a representative from Faculty Senate. The purpose of the advisory board is to provide updates on VandalStar priorities and to seek out member feedback on current and future student retention initiatives in the program. The VandalStar Advisory Board will take the place of the previous VandalStar Implementation Committee and will include a meeting in the fall and spring semesters. VandalStar encourages membership from diverse units and branch campuses. If you are interested in joining, please contact VandalStar@UIdaho.edu.

- The on-campus vaccine clinic is functioning again. Partnership between our Vandal Health Clinic and Rite Aid has been extremely helpful. https://www.uidaho.edu/vandal-health-clinic/coronavirus/vaccine

Important dates and events:

- The Annual Employee Training is due December 8.
- Borah events: https://uidaho.edu/class/2022-fall
- Homecoming next week! Parade on Saturday, October 1 at 12:30, game at 6PM.

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