Faculty Senate Talking Points: April 7, 2020:

- We wish Provost Wiencek all the best for his future endeavors at the University of Akron!

- A reminder to fill out the COVID-19 timesheets. This will help the university with emergency federal funds. From Vandalweb, choose: Employees→Payroll→Webtime Entry/Supervisor Approval. Then click on “time sheet” and pick “COVID-19 Telework”. Click on a day within the appropriate pay period and enter the desired number of hours in the little box at the top of the page. Save and submit. The procedure is the same as the one to request furlough.

- Senate considered and approved a number of proposed revisions to FSH policies and the Catalog, including FSH 1640.89-90 (join the UCGE and GEAC committees), and FSH 1540 A-1 (allow any eligible member to participate remotely with vote at university faculty meetings).

- Brian Smentkowski (CETL) spoke to Senate about Online Delivery. He presented data on recent usage of Zoom and BbLearn, and results of faculty surveys on teaching challenges and strategies. CETL is impressed by how faculty and students are working together to find the best path forward.

Important dates:

- For those colleges who need to elect new Senate representatives: results of the elections must be communicated to Senate Leadership by April 21st.

- Next University Faculty Meeting: May 6th, 2020. More information will follow.

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