

## Faculty Senate Talking Points, October 3, 2023, Meeting #7

- **Welcome to the team, Chris!** The Provost introduced Chris Parker, new Admin Support for Faculty Senate.
- **UOPX.** Senate discussed and approved the creation of a task force charged with developing a constructive survey to assess employee approval of and concerns about the UOPX affiliation. The conversation with Provost Lawrence about UOPX continues.
- **IT issues.** There was a discussion to identify topics that Faculty Senate would like the IT committee to look into.
- **Faculty welfare.** Issues of particular concern to faculty were identified. They include: campus safety (lighting, firearms, training for lockdown situations), childcare availability, sensitivity to the needs of employees with young children; improving work conditions for our non-tenure track colleagues.

### Important Dates:

- Monday, October 17, at 7pm: Common Read Lecture. Florence Williams, author of “The Nature Fix,” will be present.
- The All Employee Required Training is open. It must be completed by November 1, 2023.

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