

Report of the Summer Advisory Committee (SAC)

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Background

The Faculty Senate Summer Advisory Committee (SAC) was established in 2014 to attempt to provide faculty viewpoints to the Administration during the summer, when most faculty are not on contract. The SAC is a small advisory committee to the Provost, but it does not have formal authority to speak for the Faculty Senate (or the Faculty).

Members

Jennifer Martin, incoming Senate President
Deneen Long-White, CHHS
Bart Talbert, Fulton
Anita Brown, Henson
Dan Ervin, Perdue
Ron Siers, Seidel

Report

The SAC met with the Provost 3 times over the course of Summer 2022. The SAC primarily discussed updates to the Faculty Handbook, the state of student enrollment, the budget, public health concerns, and student engagement concerns for the 2022-2023 academic year. Questions around business managers in the Schools and Colleges, Faculty professional development funds, the Disability Resource Center (DRC), Faculty paychecks, the new parking regulations, the locking of buildings, and communication with Faculty in general were also discussed.

At the Provost's request, the SAC reviewed and provided feedback on an early draft of the "Recommended strategies for supporting student success in Academic Year 2022-2023" document.