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TO: All Members of the Board of Regents
SUBJECT: Faculty Senate Update
SUBMITTED BY: Eric Shelden, Faculty Senate Chair

The Faculty Senate is pleased to report the following:

- Since the last report, the Faculty Senate has hosted presentations and discussion by the Executive Director of the WSU Office of Institutional Research, Stephanie Kane (3/21/24), and the WSU President, Kirk Schultz (4/4/24).
- Members of the faculty senate leadership team appreciated the opportunity to participate in faculty listening sessions hosted by members of the Board of Regents in Pullman, Spokane, Vancouver, Tri-cities and through a Virtual meeting.
- The Faculty Senate chair and chair-elect met with WSU Spokane faculty and administration to discuss goals and concerns relevant to the Faculty Senate's function.
- The Faculty Senate passed a vote to recommend approval of a Master of Veterinary Anatomic Pathology (MVAP) Degree program (3/21/24), and a Bachelor of Science in Public Health, a Bachelor of Arts in Social Work, and Certificate in Responsible Data Science and Analytics (4/4/24).
- The faculty senate executive officers met with the President and Provost on Tuesday, March 19th to discuss system level issues.
- The faculty senate passed a vote to approve a recommendation to permanently establish the course review process as piloted during 2023 – 2024 academic year.
- The Faculty Senate received the Ad-hoc Committee on Salary Step Structure's final report (<https://s3.wp.wsu.edu/uploads/sites/3253/2024/04/WSU-Faculty-Senate-on-Salary-Steps-Final-Report-01-April-2024.pdf>).
- The Faculty Senate passed a vote to recommend that Undergraduate, Graduate and Professional Degree students whose names remain on the "Official List of Degree Candidates" be advanced to the degrees set above their names as members of the classes of Spring 2024, Summer 2024, and Fall 2024.