

Fellow Faculty,

Hope that your semester is going well so far. This week was a little less hectic, but still pretty busy. Here is a summary of some of the important meetings I attended.

Breakfast with the University President, Senate President, Vice-President and Provost

In this meeting, we discussed some of the upcoming issues for all of us this semester. We talked about the unknown surrounding the budget and the uncertainty of how it will affect us this year and next year. This year may be bad, but if it is, next year will be worse. We will wait and see once the budget is passed. We also discussed the importance of the New Gen Ed Revisions and the New SRI Model.

Chairnet

The new SRI model was presented to the chairs and discussed in some detail. The report presented by the SRI Task Force can be viewed on the internet at <http://www.kutztown.edu/idea/>. We also heard about the flu pandemic plans and how to deal with outbreaks on campus.

Union Presidents

I scheduled a meeting with the presidents of the other two unions on campus. The current local AFSCME president is Ray Dunkle Jr. and the local SCUPA president is Petritsa Chatzitziva. We met and discussed issues that were common to all three of us on campus, as well as ways to work together to improve KU for all of us. We decided that we would meet monthly and try to arrange a picnic or dinner event for all our perspective executive boards to get together and talk.

New Member Social

We had our new member social this past week which was a success. It was great to see some of the new faculty interacting with those of us that have been here a while.

That is a summary of the major meetings that occurred last week. This week I will have my open lunch hour on Tuesday at 11:00 am over in Old Main. I will be there for 2 hours from 11:00 until one. Feel free to drop by see me. The office number is OM 201. I will be in touch next week. We have Legislative Assembly this week so I will have State Business to report to you next week. Have a good week.

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