

REPORT TO FACULTY SENATE

FROM: The Faculty Officers <http://facultygovernance.arizona.edu/>

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ACCOMPLISHMENTS:

- We are grateful to you for your hard work, your input, your ideas and your continued engagement in shared governance during these difficult times.
- We continue to work around the clock to support the work of the University and to ensure the prominence of the Faculty voice in shared governance.
- The *Ad Hoc* Committee of the General Faculty on the MOU for Shared Governance has been appointed by Chair Summers and met the first time on May 29th. They intend to have a document that can be vetted and approved by Senate, agreed to by Administration, and then signed by the Chair, Vice Chair, Provost, and President early in the Fall Semester. The membership includes:
 - Leila Hudson (SBS),
 - Mona Hymel (Law),
 - Melanie Hingle (CALS) – Co-Chair,
 - Michael Brewer (Libraries) – Co-Chair,
 - Marv Slepian (COM-T),
 - Andrea Romero (Provost's Office),
 - Elizabeth Miller (Office of the General Counsel),
 - Teresa Moreno (Arizona State Museum),
 - Joe Gerald (Public Health),
 - Judd Ruggill (Humanities),
 - Brad Story (Science)
- Chair Summers and Vice Chair Hingle continue to respond to questions through the Discourse Forums for faculty that were set up by Chair Summers in April – <https://uacovid19workgroups.trydiscourse.com/>.
- Responding to requests from senators and from faculty across campus, the Officers have worked with administration to secure the appointment of several more elected faculty representatives to the campus-level task forces that are working on COVID-19 related issues. Most of the task forces now have two elected faculty representatives. These are in addition to any faculty initially appointed for their domain-specific expertise.
- Vice Chair Hingle and Secretary Brewer developed explanatory documents and conducted an informal orientation for new members of Senate. The new documents are expected to be posted on the Website.
- The Senate and other Shared Governance bodies will continue to meet over the summer to support the institutional response to COVID-19 and the financial, health and social effects of this series of events. We appreciate your support and continued efforts in this regard.

GOALS:

- To ensure a successful, safe, and healthy return to campus life in Fall for all members of the UA community.
- To continue to broaden participation in shared governance to ensure that the University lives up to its values and supports its mission as we move ahead.
- To work with you to all that we, as a community, can do to save lives, support our most vulnerable community members, and increase faculty participation in all decision-making that affects our lives and the long-term health and well-being of all of us.
- Faculty Center Staff, with the assistance of Amy Fountain, will be migrating the Faculty Governance website over to a new version of Drupal and updating it significantly. Those changes should be finalized by mid-June.