

University of Louisville Staff Senate  
Chair's Report  
Tuesday, July 11, 2023

6/15 Shared Governance Workgroup Update

6/16 ULAA Board of Directors Meeting

6/21 Weekly Staff Senate Officers Meeting

6/22 Board of Trustees Meeting

6/23 Meeting with Incoming Vice chair

6/27 PED Committee Meeting

6/27 SME Committee Meeting

6/27 Staff Senate Executive Committee Meeting

6/28 Weekly Staff Senate Officers Meeting

This has been an exciting and very busy month, transitioning from my role as Vice Chair to Chair. I have worked with both John and Kari to try to ensure that the transition goes as smoothly as we can make it. I can't say how much I have appreciated the encouragement and guidance John has given me as he has left that role. He has left big shoes to fill, and I am going to do my best to continue and build upon the good practices that have developed during his tenure as Chair.

This month saw my last meeting of the ULAA board. It is an eye-opening experience to see the complexity of our Athletics Association. I have a new appreciation of the work Josh and Jeff have done to keep that group moving forwards and representing our university on that national stage while balancing budgets and planning for the future. I have appreciated Josh's commitment to transparency and running a successful program in the right way. This last meeting saw the proposed budget approved by the ULAA Board and sent on to the Board of Trustees.

I also attended my first Board of Trustees meeting and was introduced by John in his farewell statements. This meeting was packed full of information. Reports from all the committees were examined and some big changes implemented. Budget was improved, that included the 2% adjustment for all staff, as well as approval with moving forwards with phase one of the adjustment recommended from the compensation study.

It has been a honor for me to serve as the Staff Senate Vice Chair, and I am looking forwards to continuing my staff representation in the coming year as the Chair. We have challenges ahead, but I believe we are up to the task of continuing the Senate's important work of making UofL a great place for our staff to work and contribute.