

**University Senate Chair Report**  
**April 28, 2026**

Hi Folks,

Welcome to the home stretch, two weeks of the semester left. Dig in, ya'll, we're almost there! If you haven't heard, the WSCUC visit was fantastic, and the exit interview was unprecedented. I believe we will hear a report on this from the Academic Affairs division, and if you have not seen Peggy Metzger's performance, it is a must-watch! I'm sure a clip is lurking around out there in the cloud.

We have a bevy of resolutions to consider and pass here at the end, and so far, I think everything has gone smoothly. Let's continue to model collegiality through this process. We have four second readings today, which ideally should result in voting, and three first readings, which may turn into voting for the last Senate meeting on May 12, 2026.

The Policy Modernization team met with PolicyStat vendors last week, and we received a demo of the platform. It is very cool! All of the areas we get tied up in, ranging from the review process all the way to the approval process, look so much easier to manage with this program. That being said, I do think there will be some pain points getting used to a new program, and we will likely have to deal with a whole new set of problems that we have no way of anticipating now; however, I am hopeful this will be an excellent fix once the dust has settled. I am planning a SenEx retreat before classes start, where the theme will be PolicyStat and our new workflow. Once the executive team has had a chance to chew on the program, we will open it up for more users to receive training and guidance. I also imagine we'll be revisiting the procedures for the Policy on Policies, Procedures, and Guidelines, but that is an exercise for another day.

Okay, folks, that's all I got. Apologies for the brief (and late) report; my professor side-gig has me really busy here at the end of the semester, just like some of you, I am sure.

Best

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