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Faculty Senate Report University of South Florida St. Petersburg

The Faculty Senate is the principal academic advisory body to the Vice Chancellor for Academic Affairs at the University of South Florida St. Petersburg. In this capacity, the Senate makes recommendations deemed important to the academic mission of USFSP. The Senate is made up of two elected tenured faculty from each college and one elected representative from the library.

Report from USFSP Faculty Senate for 2007 - 2008

- Senators from each college gave monthly reports from their respective College Councils. This practice has given our faculty better communication between colleges and with the administration.
- Senators have represented the faculty on various committees and have attended our Strategic Planning meetings.
- Two of our members have been active participants on our Campus Budget Council
- The Senate Chair has represented the faculty on monthly meetings of the Leadership Council, meetings of the Deans Council and special meetings with the Chancellor.
- All Senate Standing Committees have made both written and oral yearly reports and each committee has approved their charge and this will be posted on our website along with the names of the members and the year of their service. This will make the start of a new year a smoother transition for the incoming newly elected senators.
- Through the assistance of the President's office all chairs of each campus governing body have met to discuss concerns and to develop better communication. This group will be meeting on a regular basis twice a year. We feel this connection will add to the growth and the faculty's better understanding of our USF System.
- We feel we have had a successful year and are very grateful for the open communication from our administration. They have always been willing to attend our meetings to clarify any miscommunication and to answer our questions to the best of their ability.