

REGULAR MEETING OF THE UNIVERSITY FACULTY SENATE

SEPTEMBER 17, 2018 – 104 Gore Hall

4:00 PM

September 10, 2018

TO: Senators and Executives

FROM: Lynnette Overby, Vice President
University Faculty Senate

SUBJECT: Regular Faculty Senate Meeting September 17, 2018

In accordance with Section IV, paragraph 6 of the Constitution, the regular meeting of the University Faculty Senate will be held on Monday, September 17 at 4:00 p.m. in room 104 Gore Hall.

The Agenda will be as follows:

AGENDA

- I. Adoption of the Agenda**
- II. Approval of the Minutes:** [May 7, 2018](#)
- III. Remarks:** President Dennis Assanis
- IV. Remarks:** Provost Robin Morgan
- V. Announcements:** Senate President Chris Williams
Senate Parliamentarian John Jebb
- VI. Consent Agenda:** None
- VII. Regular Agenda:**
 - A. Unfinished Business:** None
 - B. New Business:**

1. Recommendation from Senator Chris Williams for the approval of a resolution concerning sustainability programs. Seconded by Senator Alan Fox.

WHEREAS, The University of Delaware has deep faculty and student resources committed to studying and implementing the growth of sustainable food systems; and

WHEREAS, The University has engaged in considerable research, education, and outreach in restoring and nurturing sustainable land use, including the restoration of local forests, native plants, and habitats for native flora and fauna, and

WHEREAS, Publicly visible institutional commitments are excellent complements to the sustainability research and teaching occurring every day in classrooms and laboratories all over campus, and

WHEREAS, New Castle County signed into law Executive Order 2018-10 on May 3, 2018 where the county will only plant native plant species in all public lands and facilities, be it therefore

RESOLVED, The senate formally urges the administration to more fully explore the possibility of two foundational sustainability components of the university's institutional life, including:

- i. encourage the university's corporate food provider ARAMARK to enter formal discussions with the university's own food systems faculty and organic farm in the College of Agriculture and Natural Resources to encourage the production and distribution of student-grown organic food within the university's own food system, including its dining halls, farmer's market, and a possible future on-campus Food Pantry; and
- ii. encourage the developers and builders of the STAR campus to commit themselves – perhaps with faculty and student experts from the departments of Plant and Soil Science and Entomology and Wildlife Ecology – to planting large numbers of ecologically beneficial native trees and plants rather than the exotic and non-native species that dominate traditional horticultural plantings.

VIII. Presentations: Technology Accessibility Compliance – Sarah Meadows, Project Manager, Information Technologies

IX. Introduction of New Business:

Such items as may come before the Senate. (No motion introduced under new business, except a motion to refer to committee, shall be acted upon until the next meeting of the Senate.)