



April 24, 2019

### Senate Chair's Report

- Chair Walsh reminded Senators to [volunteer](#) to serve on a Senate committee. He noted that the deadline to volunteer is April 30<sup>th</sup>.
- Walsh reminded Senators that this was the final meeting for outgoing Senators. The Senate Transition Meeting on May 7<sup>th</sup> will be for all continuing and incoming Senators.
- Walsh noted that the Senate would elect a Chair-Elect and vote on elected committees, and Pam Lanford would take over as Chair at the May 7<sup>th</sup> meeting.
- Walsh reported that Chancellor Caret has announced the membership of the presidential search committee. He noted that Regent Gary Attman will chair the committee, and Dean Ball of the College of Behavioral & Social Sciences has been appointed Vice Chair of the committee. Former UMD President and USM Chancellor, William Kirwan, has also agreed to serve on the committee. The membership of the committee also includes several faculty, staff, and students suggested by the Senate.
- Walsh noted that the presidential search committee would hold a campus-wide open forum on Wednesday, May 8, 2019.

### [Enhancing Senate Input on University Planning and Resources \(Senate Document #17-18-20\)](#)

- The Senate discussed the membership of the committee and how the committee could help educate the Senate and the wider campus community about the budgeting process.
- The Senate voted to approve the establishment of the Special Committee on University Finance.

### [Proposal to Establish a University Policy on Repeating Undergraduate Courses \(Senate Document #18-19-09\)](#)

- The Senate voted to approve the proposed new policy.

### [Student Course Evaluation Improvement Project \(Senate Document #16-17-24\)](#)

- The Senate discussed and rejected an amendment to remove a recommendation regarding the release of grade distributions to students.
- The Senate was unable to complete discussion of the proposal due to time constraints. The proposal will be discussed at a future Senate meeting.

### Relevant Links

- Volunteer to serve on a Senate committee.  
<https://senate.umd.edu/join-committee>
- Enhancing Senate Input on University Planning and Resources (Senate Document #17-18-20)  
[https://senate.umd.edu/system/files/resources/billDocuments/17-18-20/stage6/ERG\\_Planning\\_Resources\\_17-18-20.pdf](https://senate.umd.edu/system/files/resources/billDocuments/17-18-20/stage6/ERG_Planning_Resources_17-18-20.pdf)
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[https://senate.umd.edu/system/files/resources/billDocuments/18-19-09/stage4/APAS Repeat Policy 18-19-09.pdf](https://senate.umd.edu/system/files/resources/billDocuments/18-19-09/stage4/APAS_Repeat_Policy_18-19-09.pdf)

- Student Course Evaluation Improvement Project (Senate Document #16-17-24)  
[https://senate.umd.edu/system/files/resources/billDocuments/16-17-24/stage8/APAS Course Eval 16-17-24.pdf](https://senate.umd.edu/system/files/resources/billDocuments/16-17-24/stage8/APAS_Course_Eval_16-17-24.pdf)