

Report of Senate Representatives to the Seeds of Innovation Implementation Committee

4-22-2022 Senate Meeting

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The committee met on Thursday, March 28th, 2022. In the first part of the meeting, the Dean of COAR, Renee Robinson, and the Dean of CEHS, Joe Martinelli, presented on the progress of their project management team, steering committees, and task forces, including work on department organization, unit planning, and a tentative roadmap for moving forward that emphasizes process improvement. The Deans reported that they were ready to start working with the SOI functional teams, who would serve in an advisory role. In the second part of the meeting, Dean Georita Frierson provided updates on the CoAS. Associate Dean Jeffrey Togman is returning to his faculty role, and interviews are underway to fill the open seat of Associate Dean. Next, Dean Frierson presented on three proposals for restructuring the Dean's office. She emphasized that deans will not be eliminated and instead be added. The merits of each proposal were discussed, and feedback was elicited. The ultimate decision about the restructuring will come from the Dean's office. The next whole committee meeting is scheduled for April 25th at 3:30pm-5pm.

Respectfully submitted,

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