

College of Education Senate Meeting

October 11, 2024

Via Zoom(Link: <https://umd.zoom.us/j/2976235922>)

**Attendees:** Adrienne, Brianna, Bridget, Joann, Kelsey, Kimberly, Loren, Olga, Rachel, Samuel, Tracy, Sehrish, Shannon, Younger

1. **Call to Order**
2. **Introductions**
3. **Welcome to the Senate - Explanation of Who We Are and Our Purpose**
  - a. *How can we push forth our presence and purpose as a Senate?*
4. **Message from the Dean**
  - a. *Some COE teams are now in the Anacostia Building*
  - b. *Three retreats with the COE over the summer to rethink how we are working together and goal setting. **Four goals** were identified that stretch across the whole college.*
    - i. *Increasing engagement (enrollment) within the COE - how we support our centers*
    - ii. *Accelerate the work that faculty and students are doing - provide funding*
    - iii. *Recreating space and fostering community - working towards our renewed building, host more events, mentorship policy, COE pantry*
    - iv. *Activating policy making and partnerships - Blueprint for MD future*
  - c. *ELEVATE is coming! November 15th*
5. **One Vacant Position - At-Large Member**
6. **Confirmed Tasks for the Year**
  - a. **January Retreat**
    - i. *What should the breakout portion of the retreat look like? We will base this on the retreat of the theme.*
  - b. **MLK Day**
    - i. *Is this something we want to champion this year? Challenge is timing because it is winter break and UMD is closed on the day.*
  - c. **COE Staff & Faculty Awards**
    - i. *Create an awards subcommittee to align the award descriptions and timeline.*
    - ii. *Volunteers: Olga, Rachel, Brianna*
    - iii. *The subcommittee will bring recommendations to the steering committee to finalize.*
  - d. **May Assembly & Appreciation**
    - i. *Awards are given out*
    - ii. *Need to decide the certificates, decorations, food, location, program*
7. **Ideas for this Year (themes, initiatives, events)**
  - a. *Possible themes: Mental Health/Wellness, Research support for students with faculty, lab day to showcase the different labs in the COE, Community building theme.*

- b. *Should we do an event each semester? YES - Loren, Younger (build connection across the college)*
  - i. *When - Once a semester*
    - 1. *November - Pantry Support (bring in individually wrapped non-perishables)*

**8. Winter College Event - COE Pantry**

- a. Volunteer leads: **Loren, Shannon, Joann**
- b. Find out what items are needed, make a flier to promote, maybe get boxes

Group Share: (What is happening in your area that would be good for everyone to know about)

**Meeting Take-Aways:**

- Homework:
  - MLK Day research - Come to the next meeting with one of the following
    - A service project idea (coat drive, school supply drive)
    - What projects are already happening on campus
    - Community partnerships (schools to work with)
    - Ask your friends, students, colleagues for ideas
- Please SHARE:
  - Elevate is coming on November 15th and trainings should be completed like "Intro to workday". Everyone who gets paid needs to do it.
  - We have an At-Large-Member position open. Please invite someone to join the senate.