

Faculty Senate Agenda
Tuesday, March 19th, 2013
5:15 -7pm, **350 Lavery Hall** (WLH)

- I. *Introductions*
- II. *Approval of Agenda and Minutes from February 2013*
 - Minutes draft not yet ready. I will forward asap.
- III. *Question and Answer Session with Provost McNamee*
 - I have asked Provost McNamee to update us on next steps in distance learning at Virginia Tech as a follow-up to our Fall 2012 conversations. I also asked him to update us on next steps in the search for Dr. Wubah's replacement as VP for Undergraduate Education and an update on faculty raises.
 - Vice Provost for Faculty Affairs, Jack Finney, and Dr. Randy Collins (a visiting American Council on education fellow from Clemson U.) will also be attending our meeting.
- IV. *Informal vote of endorsement on Policy 13000 on Intellectual Property*
 - We have been asked to take an informal vote as a faculty senate on whether we endorse the proposed changes to Policy 13000. Since last month's meeting, the Commission on Research has heard from many groups (including ours) and made some edits to the policy. The Commission on Research will vote on these policy changes on March 27th. If it passes, it will then go to University Council.
 - Please review attached updated policy. Please be ready to vote on a question of whether we endorse it or not. There is no formal resolution on this issue, just a show of support or lack of support.
- V. *Nominations for 2013-2014 officer elections and committees and commissions*
 - I will bring to the meeting a listing of open positions that we need to fill. I will attempt to post to scholar in advance of the meeting. I would like to spend part of the April meeting having a Q&A with officer candidates, if desired, so that we may vote before the end of the academic year.
- VI. *Open discussion of any items related to Commissions and Committees*
 - Please see the Forum on our Scholar page. I will ask that Commission and Committee Chairs, or Faculty representatives, provide updates either directly to this Forum or through me to this Forum
 - April Meeting:
 - Visit by Mr. Jason Soileau (Asst. VP, Office of University Planning); Jason will brief us on two major campus planning projects, the Precinct B

(which includes Multi-Modal Transportation Facility) and the renovations of the Corps of Cadets section of campus.

- Discussion with officer candidates for 2013-2014