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Senate Restructuring Approved by General Faculty

The General Faculty of West Georgia has officially approved the restructuring of the Faculty Senate, to be implemented starting Fall 2017. Thanks to everyone who took the time to vote. Elections for committee representatives in the spring will reflect the new committee structure. Colleges will be contacted toward the beginning of next semester regarding elections.

Post-Tenure Review Update

The Faculty Senate Budget Committee continues to work on a plan for rewarding successful post-tenure reviews. The current proposal would allow for allocation of \$2000 in professional development funds to faculty members whose departments have deemed their performance "stellar" in post-tenure review. The Senate will likely vote on the proposal early in the spring semester. The Budget Committee will also study departmental processes for awarding the classification of "stellar" to begin developing equitable procedures for the disbursement of these monies.

Policy on Graduate Course Retakes

The Graduate Programs Committee is looking into policies on graduate course retakes, since currently no university-wide policy exists. Please contact committee chair Matt Varga or your representative on the committee to learn more about these discussions or to offer input. A list of committee representatives is available [here](#).

New Faculty Senate Website

David Boldt, Faculty
Development

Heather Mbaye,
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Susan Welch, Rules

Faculty Senate has a newly redesigned website, which now includes a list of our liaisons to other campus groups, as well as our most recent and past updates to the campus community in the form of this newsletter. You can access the site at this new web address: <https://www.westga.edu/faculty-senate/>

Upcoming Faculty Senate Meeting Dates

January 27, 2017

February 24, 2017

March 17, 2017

April 21, 2017

All meetings take place at 3:00 in TLC 1203. Faculty Senate meetings are open to all.

For more on recent Faculty Senate business, minutes are available [here](#).