CAL POLY HUMBOLDT

University Senate

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Hello Cal Poly Humboldt! Congratulations to all of us on our new designation. Today's agenda includes the Senate's review of the first set of Cal Poly degree programs, with many more to come. Thank you all for all of your continued hard work on all aspects of the Cal Poly implementation, while simultaneously keeping all the everyday tasks and duties moving forward. This has been no small task and I know some of us are tired. Please reach out to me if you feel overwhelmed or unheard.

As we have somehow already made it to (almost) mid-February, it is time to think about our shared governance opportunities for next academic year. If you are new to the Senate this year (and have additional years of service), please consider chairing one of our standing committees next year. If you know someone who needs University service, help them answer the call for Nominations. The members of the Appointments and Elections committee have begun recruiting and will be reaching out to additional folks soon. Our ultimate goal is to diversify the Senate leadership and membership (**Object 1** of the <u>2021-2026 University Senate Anti-Racist Action Plan</u>) so that the percentage of BIPOC elected and appointed senators and committee members equals (or exceeds!) the respective faculty and staff populations. Representation is critically important!

Speaking of representation, part of our duties as senators is to communicate with our constituents. Some of us are really great at this. I am not. I will try to do better. I ask that all of us do our best to inform our colleagues of the goings on not only on the Senate, but also on the standing committees. Likewise, please bring the concerns of your colleagues to this body so that they can be heard. We will be trying to make some small improvements on the Senate's webpage this term to increase transparency and provide a platform for everyone to bring issues to the senate's attention. I will update you on this soon.

Thank you for all that you're doing! Monty