

Hey Humboldt!

Whew! We made it! (I think?) I don't know about y'all, but that semester felt like a doozy to me.

Before we head off into the unobstructed bliss of our respective winter breaks, we have one more senate meeting to conquer together. It is a hefty pile of legislation and reports, to be sure, and one that will likely strain my meager time-management skills, but I am confident that with y'all's support we will emerge victorious.

One point that has not been agendized, but that is definitely an area of conversation and concern on campus is the recent communication regarding the reporting of the Academic Master Plan and corresponding request for data regarding low degree conferring majors and areas of emphasis. Though the Senate does not currently have an information item regarding this message outside of what was written there for this meeting, we will engage with the plan to address the asks of the Chancellor's memo during the first SenEx and Senate meeting of the Spring. I know this likely feels like ignoring an elephant in the room, but we don't have additional actions on that front at this time. In the interim, I do encourage using the open forum or senate@humboldt.edu or emailing me at jw2311@humboldt.edu to raise any questions or concerns that we can collect to share together when we return in January.

For those of you who are interested in engaging in the art thing for this week, we will have a 10 minute dance party in the style of Adrian Piper's "Funk Lessons" to celebrate Julie Alderson's last day as Interim ICC Chair. Yay, Julie!

I appreciate you all so much. Thanks for being an incredible group of caring collaborators.

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