

Academic Advising Council

Annual Report 2016-2017

To: President, OSU Faculty Senate
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- The 2016-17 academic year was productive and issues-focused for the Academic Advising Council (AAC.) We continued to act as a sounding board for many organizations around campus that interact with undergraduate students. Our expertise is sought by many and provides information distribution.
- Unlike many Faculty Senate committees, AAC membership is fixed and does not rotate. Membership consists of voting members, as found in our [Standing Rules](#), and non-voting members, as found in our [Guidelines](#). The leadership of the AAC and their external responsibilities were as follows:
 - Louie Bottaro, Chair, College of Liberal Arts
 - Brett Jeter, Immediate Past Chair, College of Engineering; represented AAC on Curriculum Council
 - Nick Fleury, Secretary and Chair-Elect (2017-2018), College of Agricultural Sciences
 - Karla Rockhold, College of Education, was elected at the June meeting to the position of Secretary-Elect (2017-2018) and Chair-Elect (2018-2019) in accordance with our [Guidelines](#).

Task Forces

The Academic Advising Council has two task forces that are populated with members and college affiliates to support academic advising in the areas of First Year Advising and Advising Technology. These task forces share their progress frequently with the Academic Advising Council.

Conclusion

The AAC still did not have a student representative at the table. It is hoped that next year a student will be present at all AAC meetings, but this will require close communication with ASOSU and input from Advisors about potential candidates early in the year. As we advocate for students in our policies, discussions and decisions, the student voice and perspective is critical.

The 2016-2017 academic year was not fraught with "big issues," but the AAC was productive in providing input and clarity into matters of import to Registrar's Office, student/university policy and guidelines, and Admissions.

Respectfully submitted,

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