Faculty Senate President's Report April, 2018

<u>What's Up-What's New</u> – I have uploaded the most recent edition of this monthly report generated by President's Staff. It summarizes all relevant projects, initiatives, and activities in each area of the college.

<u>Budget</u> – Planning and Budget Council will meet Tuesday, April 10. Preliminary information presented to President's Staff indicates that, although we expect a small increase in State funding this year, we have seen a decline in enrollment, we are not able to raise tuition, and there have been significant increases in the costs for FRS and health insurance. The estimate annual cost for a salary step and step-equivalent is \$400,000. The Business Office is exploring the feasibility of locating the funds for this.

<u>Behavioral Intervention Teams</u> – Thank you to everyone who participated in the faculty review of the proposed procedure. At this time, administration has paused our movement towards implementing this system. I will keep everyone informed if there are any future developments or discussions.

<u>Organizational Changes</u> – As the recently announced administrative changes become effective, please let me know if there are any questions or concerns. Also, please watch for information about screening committees for three vacant positions: Lakeland Dean of Academic Affairs; Chief Information Officer; and Vice President of Institutional Effectiveness, Accreditation, and Research. Faculty involvement will be essential.