Budget and Academic Policy Committee Faculty Senate Liaison Report--Kelli Prejean March 14, 2024

This report covers one meeting held on Friday, February 16, 2024.

- I. Approval of minutes from Friday, Nov. 17, 2023 meeting
- II. Old Business
 - None
- III. New Business
 - Moving common final exams from the Saturday before final exam week to the Wednesday of final exam week -- Approved
 - Updating University Excused Absence policy--some requests are getting out of hand; policy still leaves some issues unclear (travel issues); how long to allow for deaths, for example; excuses coming weeks after absences (need a timeframe for submitting one); death in family; having a baby; paternity absences; routine medical appointments. There's a danger of trying to articulate all possible excuses--we will work on this over the semester and make a recommendation to Senate:
 https://www.marshall.edu/policies/files/2023/12/UPAA-2-Class-Attendance-2019-10-15.pdf. Suggested Timeline for Excuses: One week to submit documentation and one week to get that documentation and excused absence to the instructor. Prearranged appointments not covered (perhaps).
 - Upcoming grade appeal hearing--waiting to hear back from student.

The next BAPC meeting will be held on Friday, March 15.