

Faculty Senate President's Report- April 15, 2026 meeting

1) Faculty Senate Announcements

The Women's and Gender Studies (WGS) Conference will be taking place this weekend from April 17th–18th. The Holocaust Memorial exhibit titled *Those Who Returned and Those Who Did Not*, organized by the Judaic Studies Committee. The exhibit will be on display in Buley Library from April 15 through May 22. The opening program will take place on April 15 from 1:00–2:30 p.m.

2) The Faculty Senate Executive Committee and Faculty Leadership Council (FLC) meetings with administration –

I canceled the meeting because it conflicted with the student-led rally last Monday. I was able to meet with Provost Irwin however, and we discussed some of the questions the group had. One of the urgent questions was about the budget.

President Bulmer will be discussing the budget at the town hall but in short we were \$33 million in the hole and we received \$8 million to pay down the debt. We are between \$22 and 26 million dollars in debt currently. The difference between the two figures is if the legislature doesn't adjust for the raises in the new contract. Provost Irwin said that the zero-based budgeting has been widely illuminating and will help greatly with budgeting. One example is licensing. They have found services like Canva are being purchased by various departments rather than having a more economical university-wide license. Dr. Wanjagi will be at our next FLC meeting to answer questions. We are not on the brink of closure by any means, but we do need to tread carefully and make sure our budget is showing financial restraint and good judgement.

3) Contract negotiations

I hope you all voted!

4) Preparing for our upcoming meeting

We will be voting on two resolutions this meeting. Please read through them in the packet and be prepared with questions.

Tom Armstrong and Vu Trieu will be joining us to discuss *the new printing system proposal. Please bring your questions. I am attaching the summary of the proposal Vu Trieu sent below.

Centrally managed campus-wide printing services:

Purpose

SCSU will implement a centralized campus-wide printing service, using the PaperCut platform with managed services provided by UBEO. The initiative replaces 800 aging, decentralized printers with a secure, standardized, and sustainable print service administered by IT.

What Is Changing

Printing, scanning, and e-fax will move to a shared FindMe (secure release) model. Users submit jobs from any device and release them at any of the ~100 Print stations across campus using SCSU credentials or ID card authentication. Printers will be located in accessible, high-traffic areas, including residence halls.

Who It Serves

- Students print using Hoot Loot, with transparent job tracking.
- Faculty and Staff print at no charge.
- Guest printing is not supported, reducing security and operational risk.

Faculty and Staff action Items

Faculty will be asked to participate in a survey requesting feedback, so please be on the lookout for this as we would love to hear from you. Faculty and staff input will be used to fine-tune printer placement, signage, and service levels prior to full production implementations and use.

High-Level Timeline

At this time, the proposal remains under evaluation, and no final decisions have been made, pending budget approval. We are continuing to coordinate with facilities, faculty, and staff to gather the broad feedback needed to ensure success. IT recognizes that this type of change can affect daily workflows and is committed to providing clear, accurate information and opportunities for input before any decisions are finalized. If the proposal moves forward, we will develop training materials and communicate clearly at each stage.

Implementation is anticipated to begin this summer, with the goal of completing deployment ahead of the Fall semester. The rollout will occur in phased waves to minimize disruption and allow for adjustments based on early feedback.

Operational Model

All in-scope printers will be replaced with UBEO-supported multifunction devices that meet security standards.

- UBEO provides hardware, proactive monitoring, toner, and break/fix support.
- Departments/building services handle simple paper replenishment using automated alerts and set standard schedule.
- SCSU IT manages the platform, user support, reporting, and vendor oversight.

Security, Cost, and Sustainability

- Secure release prevents unattended documents; jobs are encrypted and auto-purged if unreleased.
- Default duplex and black-and-white printing reduces waste and costs. Color is an option in most of the printer fleet.
- Central reporting provides visibility into usage, reliability, costs, and sustainability impact.
- Centralized printing would improve security as printers are among the most commonly exploited vectors in cyberattacks, and a fragmented device landscape increases that exposure.

Why This Matters

Centrally managed Printing delivers a predictable, secure, and scalable service that reduces printer sprawl, lowers total cost of ownership, improves compliance, and enhances the user experience for students, faculty, and staff. The model aligns operational responsibility with risk, and supports SCSU's sustainability goals.

Please review the packet and share with members of your department.