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Vice President's Report

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Nothing about this year has been normal. It is more than possible we will all be forever changed. With that in mind, I ask you to consider what our outgoing president has experienced. He had classes that were difficult to make remote. He has young children who were in and out of school. He had family members affected by COVID. But he also had a responsibility the rest of us did not have to shoulder: looking out for our interests as faculty. He was tireless (heck, I got tired just trying to read all the e-mails he sent as FA president). He was relentless (just ask anyone in administration about the discussions on the furloughs). Most of all, he was effective. Next time you see David Weiss, please thank him for the work he has done on behalf of all of us.

That will be a tough act to follow. My approach will not be to try to emulate David. He was forced by circumstances to respond to the twists and turns of the pandemic. He did so admirably. There will be unexpected events next year, but I hope they won't dominate our work together. I want us to be proactive, to set an agenda, deliberate about it and then, as appropriate, act upon it. As we enter the 2021-22 academic year, you will be hearing more from me about how I hope to engage as many of you as are willing on some of the key issues that face us as a faculty. Expect to continue to have survey opportunities to keep us informed of your wishes. Expect to hear even more discussion in Representative Faculty Assembly. Expect to continue to have regular, comprehensive communication from your elected representatives, something David has worked hard on this year.

Fortunately, David will still be engaged next year as past president. I am sure he will be an unusually active one. Minette Church will be the Vice President, and she has already been part of the team this year as secretary. We have a strong executive committee, all seats filled on representative faculty assembly, and strong and energized committees. Whatever we face next year, we have a team in place to work hard for you.