Committee Charges
2019-2020

Committee: Strategic Planning and Academic Freedom (SPAF)
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To be concerned with long-term strategic planning and governance issues of the university. To be concerned with policy regarding professional ethics, conscience, and academic freedom under Article II, Section 3e of the Senate Constitution.

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| 1. N     | Generate guidelines to improve communication between senate and faculty.  
           - Slide deck and guidelines for use were outlined in the 2017-2018 year-end report.  
           - Are we ready to disseminate and move forward with that plan? |          |
| 2. N     | Explore the current state, future plans, and faculty experience regarding the burgeoning number of online education initiatives happening across campus.  
           - Work with Provost office to determine if development of a VU Principles and Best Practices document could be a vehicle for many recommendations outlined in the ‘17-’18 year-end report.  
           - Organize a town hall led by the Associate Provost for Digital Learning targeting faculty leading online courses. Key points to include faculty workload, faculty compensation, student workload, appropriate course/degree launch planning. |          |
           - Consider who on and off campus might do research in this area.  
           - Consider linking to a Chancellor’s Lecture Series speaker. |          |
| 4. N     |                                                      |          |