

## Faculty Senate Talking Points, September 17, 2024, Meeting #6

- Faculty Senate is discussing a proposal by Vice Chair Murphy to include a stronger resolution process in the way senate business is conducted.
- Dean of Students Blaine Eckles and Crystal Hogg, Director of Student Affairs Operations, provided updates on the status of the Children’s Center. The most pressing need is space for extension. The high cost of childcare was also discussed.
- Brian Smentkowski, Director of the Center for Excellence in Teaching and Learning (CETL), presented a number of initiatives from CETL aimed at supporting faculty success through innovation, fostering collaborations, and improved morale.

### Important dates and events:

- **Borah Symposium** Events next week: <https://www.uidaho.edu/class/borah/2024-fall>
- **Faculty gatherings** in Moscow – September 23, at 4:30pm.  
<https://www.uidaho.edu/provost/faculty-gathering>
- **“The Drug War and Climate Change,”** September 26, at 7pm, Administration Auditorium, by Dr. Kendra McSweeney.

The Talking Points are approved by Faculty Senate Leadership as an informal communication tool to engage constituents and get quick feedback on issues discussed at the Faculty Senate weekly meetings. All Faculty Senate agendas (including attachments and supporting documents) and meeting minutes are made available on the Senate webpage:

<https://www.uidaho.edu/governance/faculty-senate/meetings>

Please send your questions, concerns, and feedback to the Faculty Senate Chair ([khaltinner@uidaho.edu](mailto:khaltinner@uidaho.edu)).

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