

Wilson Election Statement

Times are tough and morale has suffered. Faculty are a small minority of the Trustees. What can we do? I believe your representatives need to challenge the administration to demonstrate shared governance, shared sacrifice, and a commitment to improved administrative processes that help us do our jobs. Your trustees must be ambassadors, effective and honest in communicating faculty concerns, vigilant in analyzing information provided to the Board, and active in building consensus on the Board.

If you elect me:

I will seek broad faculty input, conducting monthly discussions across the campus. I will attend Senate meetings. I will listen and bring your input to the Board meetings.

I will find information that is reliable. I will organize valid surveys to identify faculty concerns and ideas on what we need to do our jobs better. We have ample expertise on campus, so no external consultants are needed.

I will share faculty stories with the trustees and the community. Student-nominated stories about professors going the extra mile and faculty stories about what we struggle with can illustrate and celebrate our often unnoticed efforts. The public and the trustees must know our extra-mile efforts as well as the real frustrations we experience.

We are proud to be UK faculty. I will ensure that the trustees appreciate that pride and know our concerns, our sacrifices and our passionate vision for the future of our University.

I ask for your vote.

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