## SAC Report Faculty Senate Meeting December 1, 2021

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## **SAC Activities**

Since November 17, 2021:

- SAC met 2 times
- Search committees: 6 searches all underway!
  - Thanks to all who volunteered to serve
- Developed/sent out Senate newsletter
- Survey from Faculty Senate standing committees sent:
  - Topics such as transportation and parking benefits, diversity and inclusion at NU, faculty teaching evaluations, and other topics very important to all of us.
  - Due date 12/3/21

## **SAC** Activities

- Follow up on faculty submitted questions:
  - Working with Provost Madigan and Vice Provost Franko on following up on past senate resolutions, and will communicate updates out at senate meetings
  - Marketing piece regarding "NU 500" hiring plan
    - Response: no different strategy for this initiative than hiring and outreach as in the past
  - HR questions: differences in health insurance costs for employee+spouse (\$2.5x) vs employee+children (\$2.4x) vs Family (\$2.7x)
    - Response: Rates are related to claims experience "employee+spouse" has higher claims on average than "employee+children" so the rate is a little higher.

## **SAC** Activities

- SAC met with Provost Madigan, Chancellor Henderson and Senior Vice Provost Franko 1 time
- Discussion:
  - HR benefits
  - Follow up on past senate resolutions
  - Communication strategies
  - Mills college updates
  - All things COVID-19
  - Faculty involvement in new academic plan
  - Faculty hiring initiatives and processes

