First Vice President’s Report 2016.12.14
The Rhetoric from Frederick

Past Meetings/Events include
• 2016.12.08: DCC (wearing my Senate hat)
• 2016.12.08: College holiday party (in my official capacity, of course)
• 2016.12.09: thru 2016.12.11: CMC3 conference
• 2016.12.13: Collegial Consultation

Upcoming Meetings/Events include
• 2016.12.15: Officers meeting
• 2016.12.16: Compressed calendar
• 2016.12.16: AFT holiday party (as above)
• 2016.12.20: Collegial Consultation (tentative)
• 2017.01.12: Officers meeting
• 2017.01.13: Academic Senate plenary session

Committee Update
Producing an exact percentage of faculty participation on committees (i.e., the ratio of the number of appointees to “seats”) is difficult because both numbers are semi-mobile targets. However, I believe that we have a participation rate of well over 90%, which I think is great. My next task is to try to make accurate the Senate’s records of committee appointments from the other constituencies. This is difficult because, well, I have no power over the other appointing agents and cannot force them to share this information with me even though it is crucial to ensure accountability of committee actions. Welcome to my world.

Online Apportionment Crisis
Well, the time that I had scheduled for myself to produce a thoughtful, reflective end-of-semester report was hijacked by the online apportionment crisis. I do not at this time have any of the information that faculty want from me. The period examined by the audit, 2011–2014, precedes my leadership position in Ed Tech. Neither the Distance Ed Coordinator nor I knew the audit was happening. It seems that the administration (namely, Susan Lamb while she was VCAA) self-reported the lack of enrollment evidence and invited the audit. Ed Tech currently requires online faculty to record with us their mechanisms for ensuring what the State calls “regular and effective contact” with students. Presumably this practice is sufficient to avoid another unsuccessful audit finding. I hope to have fresher information to report in person at Council.