

Faculty Senate commends the administrators who did not sign the “Morehead State University CONFIDENTIALITY UNDERSTANDING” (dated 1/26/21).

The “CONFIDENTIALITY UNDERSTANDING” was introduced to Academic Affairs by the Provost. The Vice President of Academic Affairs provided the document to his deans and requested deans, associate deans, chairs, and their office staff sign the document by the end of the term (April 30, 2021). Faculty became aware of the document when an associate dean erroneously circulated the document to his entire school on April 24, 2021. This communication was brought to the attention of Faculty Senate.

Senate would like to thank the administrators in Academic Affairs who questioned the provenance and purpose of the “Morehead State University CONFIDENTIALITY UNDERSTANDING” (dated 1/26/21). The body would particularly like to thank those administrators who did not sign, and who demonstrated true supervisory care by shielding the staff in their offices from a signatory requirement.

A university can only function as a marketplace of ideas when there is a free exchange of information without fear of retaliation. Senate commends these administrators for upholding this truth in deed as well as word, and for affirming the foundation on which true shared governance is laid.