

**COMMITTEE NAME:** EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE OF UNIVERSITY SENATE (ECUS)  
**MEETING DATE & TIME:** FRIDAY, OCTOBER 1, 2021, 2:00-3:15 P.M.  
**MEETING LOCATION:** WEBEX

**ATTENDANCE:**

<b>MEMBERS</b>		<b>“P” denotes Present, “A” denotes Absent, “R” denotes Regrets</b>
<b>P</b>	Alex Blazer (CoAS, ECUS Secretary)	
<b>P</b>	Hauke Busch (CoAS, ECUS Chair Emeritus)	
<b>R</b>	Cathy Cox (University President)	
<b>P</b>	Jennifer Flory (CoAS, ECUS Vice-Chair)	
<b>P</b>	Catherine Fowler (CoHS, ECUS Chair)	
<b>P</b>	Karl Manrodt (CoB, ECUS Member)	
<b>P</b>	Lyndall Muschell (CoE, ECUS Member)	
<b>P</b>	Lamonica Sanford (Library, ECUS Member)	
<b>P</b>	Costas Spirou (Provost)	
<b>GUESTS</b>		
Shea Council (Administrative Assistant of the 2021-2022 University Senate)		

**Legend**

Highlighted text denotes follow-up.

**Bold denotes action or recommendation.**

**I. Call to Order:** The meeting was called to order at 2:00 pm by Catherine Fowler (Chair).

**II. Approval of Agenda:** A **Motion** to approve the agenda was made and seconded. **The agenda was approved.**

**III. Approval of Minutes:** A draft of the 3 Sep 2021 minutes of the Executive Committee had been circulated to the meeting attendees via email. A **Motion** to approve the minutes was made and seconded. **The minutes were approved.**

**IV. Reports**

**Presiding Officer Report — Catherine Fowler**

1. **Meetings** In our regular meeting, Provost Spirou and I discussed Covid, the presidential transition team, the BOR, and GC mask signage. I attended the Academic Leadership Team meeting on September 16 and the reception for outgoing president Steve Dorman.
2. **BOR Tenure Revision Proposals** I vetted multiple communications from USG Senates, USG Faculty Council, and AAUP regarding BOR tenure verbiage changes vote. Prepared for possible Senate motions prior to BOR meeting on October 12.
3. **Flu Shot and COVID Testing Clinics** Sponsored by the School of Nursing and GC Medical Reserve Corps, clinics took place at the Health Sciences Building and Parks Hall.
4. **Budget** No funds have been spent this fiscal year.
  - a. Senate State Account: \$4670.73

- b. Senate Foundation Account: \$256.00
- c. Senate Foundation Operations Account: \$1000.00.

## **Presiding Officer Elect Report — Jennifer Flory**

### **1. Election Oversight**

- a. The Corps of Instruction was received 9/15/21 and forwarded to ECUS/SCC on 9/17/21.
- b. The apportionment spreadsheet was filled in and packets were created for deans and library director and sent to each on 9/29/21. These documents were reviewed by Catherine Fowler, Alex Blazer, and Hauke Busch prior to sending.
- c. Appendix C 2021-2022 Elected Faculty Senator (EFS) Elections Fact Sheet is included as a supporting document for your information.

### **2. ECUS Discussion**

- a. Comment: the apportionment is the same both with and without adding administrators as faculty.
- b. Question: Are election procedures necessary from academic units not holding elections?
- c. Answer: Units can submit election procedures if desires, but it is not necessary.

## **V. Unfinished Business**

- 1. **2021-2022 Governance Calendar** Catherine Fowler reported that the calendar is a work-in-progress.

## **VI. New Business**

### **1. BOR Tenure Revision Proposals**

- a. Comment (USGFC Representative): At the USG Faculty Council meeting, Vice Chancellor for Academic Affairs offered to meet with faculty at institutions. The group discussed the disparity between the intention and the meaning of words in the proposed revisions. It is more clear in the revised proposal that dismissal is related to the Post-Tenure Review process. It seems like student success is being added as a fourth pillar of evaluation to teaching, scholarship, and service. The intention seems to be that the BOR will review institution's Tenure and Promotion documents then take over if the process is not rigorous enough; and the BOR already have that power and responsibility.
- b. Question: Was the conversation with the USGFC based on the revised language?  
Answer: (USGFC Representative): Yes.
- c. Follow Up: Provost Spirou will reach out to Vice Chancellor for Academic Affairs Tristan Denley regarding a virtual conversation with GC faculty next week.

- 2. **University Senate Handbook** Hauke Busch has started handbook revisions.

- 3. **Community Outreach** Catherine Fowler sought feedback from ECUS regarding community outreach possibilities such as partnering with Milledgeville organizations

repairing homes and partnering with the Center for Health & Social Issues to address food insecurities.

## VII. Open Discussion

1. None

## VIII. Next Meeting

1. **Calendar**
  - a. University Senate Meeting – Friday, October 15, 3:30 p.m., Webex
  - b. ECUS Meeting – Friday, November 5, 2:00 p.m., Webex
  - c. ECUS+SCC Meeting – Friday, November 5, 3:30 p.m., Webex
  - d. University Senate Meeting – Friday, November 19, 3:30 p.m., Webex
2. **Tentative Agenda:** Some of the deliberation today may have generated tentative agenda items for ECUS and ECUS-SCC meetings. Catherine Fowler will ensure that such items (if any) are added to the agenda of a future meeting of ECUS or ECUS-SCC.

## IX. Adjournment

1. As there was no further business to consider, a **Motion** to adjourn the meeting was made and seconded. **The motion to adjourn was approved and the meeting adjourned at 2:28 p.m.**

## X. Supporting Documents

1. There is one supporting document.
  - a. *SupportingDocument-SCoNAppendixC20212022ElectedFacultySenators.docx*

**Distribution:** First, these minutes will be sent to committee members for review; second, they will be posted to the Senate website.

**COMMITTEE NAME:** EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE OF THE UNIVERSITY SENATE (ECUS)  
**COMMITTEE OFFICERS:** CATHERINE FOWLER (CHAIR), JENNIFER FLORY (VICE-CHAIR), ALEX BLAZER (SECRETARY)  
**ACADEMIC YEAR:** 2021-2022

**AGGREGATE MEMBER ATTENDANCE AT COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR THE ACADEMIC YEAR:**  
**“P” denotes Present, “R” denotes Regrets, “A” denotes Absent**

Acronyms	EFS = Elected Faculty Senator CoAS = College of Arts and Sciences; CoB = College of Business; CoE = College of Education; CoHS = College of Health Sciences										
Meeting Dates	9/3	10/1	11/5	1/7	2/11	3/4	4/8	P	R	A	
Alex Blazer <i>EFS, CoAS ECUS Secretary</i>	P	P						2	0	0	
Hauke Busch <i>EFS, CoAS, ECUS Chair Emeritus</i>	P	P						2	0	0	
Cathy Cox <i>University President</i>	NA	R						0	1	0	
Jennifer Flory <i>EFS, CoAS ECUS Vice-Chair</i>	P	P						2	0	0	
Catherine Fowler <i>EFS, CoHS ECUS Chair</i>	P	P						2	0	0	
Karl Manrodt <i>EFS, CoB ECUS Member</i>	P	P						2	0	0	
Lyndall Muschell <i>EFS, CoE ECUS Member</i>	P	P						2	0	0	
Lamonica Sanford <i>EFS, Library ECUS Member</i>	P	P						2	0	0	
Costas Spirou <i>Provost</i>	P	P						2	0	0	