

**COMMITTEE NAME:** EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE OF UNIVERSITY SENATE (ECUS)  
**MEETING DATE & TIME:** FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 10, 2023, 2:00-3:15 P.M.  
**MEETING LOCATION:** PARKS HALL 301

**ATTENDANCE:**

<b>MEMBERS</b>		<b>“P” denotes Present, “A” denotes Absent, “R” denotes Regrets</b>
<b>P</b>	Alex Blazer (CoAS, ECUS Secretary)	
<b>R</b>	Cathy Cox (University President)	
<b>P</b>	Nicolas Creel (CoBT, ECUS Member)	
<b>P</b>	Jennifer Flory (CoAS, ECUS Chair)	
<b>P</b>	Catherine Fowler (CoHS, ECUS Chair Emerita)	
<b>P</b>	Lamonica Sanford (Library, ECUS Member)	
<b>R</b>	Costas Spirou (Provost)	
<b>R</b>	Rob Sumowski (CoE, ECUS Vice-Chair)	

**Legend**

Highlighted text denotes follow-up.

**Bold denotes action or recommendation.**

**I. Call to Order:** The meeting was called to order at 2:00 p.m. by Jennifer Flory (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 6 Jan 2023 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 — Jennifer Flory**

**1. Presiding Officer Activities**

- a. American Association of Colleges and Universities 2023 Annual Meeting I attended the [American Association of Colleges and Universities 2023 Annual Meeting: Reclaiming Liberal Education](#) in San Francisco, with Provost Spirou, Associate Provost Roberts, Dr. Mandy Jarriel, and Dr. Liz Speelman (January 18-21, 2023)
- b. **Monthly Meeting with Provost Spirou**, 1/25/23
  - i. Low producing programs: report was shared with the deans.
  - ii. Budget cuts update
  - iii. Policy discussions
    1. [Amorous Relationships Policy](#) (FAPC, RPIPC) – Carol Ward. The policy was updated in the fall to align with the USG update, which also occurred in the fall.

2. [Institutional Online Resource \(IOR\) Governance Policy \(RPIPC\)](#) – Omar or Keely
  - c. **Dean and Department Chair Training** I attended the virtual USG meeting on new BOR policies affecting annual performance and post-tenure reviews for deans and department chairs.
2. **Governance Calendar 2023-2024** is in process.
3. **University Senate Recognitions** Certificates and Senator pin order request in process
4. **University Senate Budget and Foundation Updates**
  - a. 1048105 University Senate (state account) has \$4,767.00.
  - b. F15320 University Senate (foundation) has \$263.79.

### **Presiding Officer Elect Report — Rob Sumowski**

1. **Revised Slate of Nominees** COBT Senator Stephen Rutner has resigned from Senate due to the return of colleague Karl Manrodt from sabbatical, who will return to the Senate seat through the April 2023 Senate meeting. The State of Nominations will be revised to reflect this change in representation.
2. **Election Oversight**
  - a. Each of the colleges' and University Library's January 2023 election results for those senators whose terms will begin during the 2023-2024 school year have been reported by the following educational entities and are as follows:
    - i. COAS New senators: Adam Lamparello, Eryn Viscarra, Mikkel Christensen, and Lee Kirven
    - ii. COBT New senator: Aric Wilhau
    - iii. COE New senators: Natalie Toomey and Rob Sumowski
    - iv. COHS New senators: Helen DuPree, Joyce Norris-Taylor, Marshall Smith, and Talecia Warren
    - v. University Library New senator: Holly Croft
3. **At-Large Senator Election**
  - a. The GC University Senate is seeking one faculty member to serve as at-large elected faculty senator for a three-year term (2023-2024, 2024-2025, 2025-2026) commencing April 21, 2023.
  - b. In preparation, the Spring 2023 faculty Corps of Instruction has been compiled with the assistance of the Deans' offices and the University Library and will be both attached to this report and uploaded to the Senate webpage. This updated version accounts for those faculty who have either departed or joined the Corps of Instruction since the Fall 2022. This will be used in soliciting nominations for the open At-Large Senate seat via an email to be issued to members of the Corps of Instruction on Monday, February 14, 2023.
  - c. Key Dates for the At-Large Senate Seat Election:
    - i. Nominations open – February 13, 2023, at 8 a.m.
    - ii. Nominations close – February 17, 2023, at 5:00 p.m.
    - iii. Voting method: authenticated electronic vote – secret ballot

- iv. Voting opens – February 20, 2023, at 8 a.m.
  - v. Voting ends – February 24, 2023, at 5 p.m.
  - vi. Election Results will be announced to the University Community no later than March 1, 2023.
4. **USG Faculty Council** The USG Faculty Council will meet virtually in February. A poll has been taken to determine the meeting date and time. I will brief you on all pertinent discussion following the virtual meeting.
  5. **ECUS Discussion**
    - a. **At Large Senator Election** The committee discussed the need to update the Corps of Instruction list in the spring in order to ensure that new faculty since September 15 were part of the at-large senator election process. **Follow Up: Jennifer Flory will update the ECUS checklist to include a spring Corps of Instruction request.**

## V. Unfinished Business

1. **Governance Calendar 2023-2024** Jennifer Flory shared the status of the calendar. **Follow up: Jennifer Flory will confirm with Academic Affairs that deans and chairs have reviewed the calendar.**

## VI. New Business

1. **Academic Innovation Task Force** The report summary will be presented at the next meeting of University Senate.
2. **University Senate Handbook Revision** Revision procedure calls for the Past Presiding Officer to review the handbook in the fall. **Follow up: Jennifer Flory will review editorial and formatting issues in the fall.**
3. **Parliamentarian 2023-2024** The committee recommends that the previous year's volunteers for Parliamentarian be contacted.

## VII. Open Discussion

1. **Curriculum Committees** The committee discussed the history of curriculum review and recommendation in University Senate as Curriculum and Assessment Policy Committee and Subcommittee on the Core Curriculum; and the committee discussed the issue of bringing curriculum committees into University Senate.

## VIII. Next Meeting

1. **Calendar**
  - a. University Senate Meeting – Friday, February 24, 3:30 p.m., Arts & Sciences 272
  - b. ECUS Meeting – Friday, March 3, 2:00 p.m., Parks Hall 301
  - c. ECUS+SCC Meeting – Friday, March 3, 3:30 p.m., Parks Hall 301
  - d. University Senate Meeting – Friday, March 24, 3:30 p.m., Arts & Sciences 272

2. **Tentative Agenda:** Some of the deliberation today may have generated tentative agenda items for ECUS and ECUS-SCC meetings. Jennifer Flory 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 2:54 p.m.**

## X. Supporting Documents

1. There are four supporting documents.
  - a. *Supporting\_AcademicInnovationTaskForceReportSummary\_2023-02-10.pdf* The Academic Innovation Task Force Report Summary supplements the New Business item of Academic Innovation Task Force.
  - b. *Supporting\_DeanDepartmentChairTraining\_Day1\_2023-01-27.docx* The Dean and Department Chair APR/PTR Training document supplements the Presiding Officer Report item of Presiding Officer Activities.
  - c. *Supporting\_DeanDepartmentChairTraining\_Day2\_2023-01-27.docx* The Dean and Department Chair APR/PTR Training document supplements the Presiding Officer Report item of Presiding Officer Activities.
  - d. *Supporting\_DeanDepartmentChairTraining\_FAQ\_2023-01-27.docx* The Dean and Department Chair APR/PTR Training document supplements the Presiding Officer Report item of Presiding Officer Activities.

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

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**COMMITTEE OFFICERS:** JENNIFER FLORY (CHAIR), ROB SUMOWSKI (VICE-CHAIR), ALEX BLAZER (SECRETARY)  
**ACADEMIC YEAR:** 2022-2023

**AGGREGATE MEMBER ATTENDANCE AT COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR THE ACADEMIC YEAR:**  
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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	9/2	10/7	11/4	1/6	2/10	3/3	4/14	P	R	A	
Alex Blazer <i>EFS, CoAS ECUS Secretary</i>	P	P	P	P	P			5	0	0	
Cathy Cox <i>University President</i>	R	R	R	R	R			0	5	0	
Nicholas Creel <i>EFS, CoBT ECUS Member</i>	P	P	R	P	P			4	1	0	
Jennifer Flory <i>EFS, CoAS ECUS Chair</i>	P	P	P	P	P			5	0	0	
Catherine Fowler <i>EFS, CoHS, ECUS Chair Emerita</i>	P	R	P	P	P			4	1	0	
Lamonica Sanford <i>EFS, Library ECUS Member</i>	P	P	P	P	P			5	0	0	
Costas Spirou <i>Provost</i>	P	P	P	P	R			4	1	0	
Rob Sumowski <i>EFS, CoE ECUS Vice-Chair</i>	P	R	P	P	R			3	2	0	