



Executive Committee Agenda

April 17, 2023 – 4:00 p.m.

NOTE: The Executive Committee meetings will be held via Zoom for the 2022-2023 academic year.

PRE-MEETING:

- President McFaddin meets informally with XC members from 3:30pm to 4pm.

[Ex officio members, guest speakers, guests, and Senate secretary should plan to join the meeting at 4pm for the REGULARLY scheduled meeting.]

CALL TO ORDER

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

- March 20, 2023

REPORT FROM PROVOST

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

- *(if any)*

NEW BUSINESS:

- **Policy Updates** – Lauren Keeler
 - *(No updates this month)*
- **Announcements:**
 - *Guest Speakers for May Senate meeting (if approved by XC):*
 - Paige Murphy – SGA Update

SENATE STANDING COMMITTEES - Liaison Reports

- Academic Quality: Senator Kay
- Budget: Senator Grabeel
- Elections & University Nominations: Senator Spira
- Faculty Welfare: Senator Jones
- Information Technology: Senator McGuffin
- Rules: Senator Bishop-Ross
- Rights and Responsibilities: Senator Johnson

UNIVERSITY COMMITTEES - *(reports to XC only if there are issues)*

- Residency Appeals: Senator Bishop-Ross
- General Education: Senator Kay

OTHER:

- Report from the Senate Chair: Senator Crosby
- Report from the Faculty Regent: Senator Marion

ADJOURNMENT

**Executive Committee Minutes
Faculty Senate
March 20, 2023**

The Faculty Senate Executive Committee met remotely on Monday, March 20, 2023 at approximately 4pm via Zoom.

PRESENT: R. Bishop-Ross, R. Crosby, V. Grabeel, L. Jones, L. Kay, J. Marion, S. McGuffin, G. Spira, and guests Abbey Poffenberger and Sara Zeigler

ABSENT: M. Johnson*

* *Denotes prior notification of absence*

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Senator McGuffin moved approval of the February 20, 2023 minutes as written, seconded by Senator Bishop-Ross. **Motion carried unanimously.**

REPORT FROM PROVOST: Sara Zeigler

The following office hours are available to meet with the Provost this semester. Contact Sharon Lee to schedule an appointment. Appointments can be virtual or in person.

- Tuesday, March 21st - 1-2:30pm
- Wednesday, April 5th - 1-3pm
- Wednesday, April 19th - 1-2:30pm
- Tuesday, May 2nd - 1-3

Next week is the grand reopening of the Giles Gallery. This event also coincides with the Provost reception. Reminders will be sent out soon.

The Calendar Work Group recently sent out a survey to gauge faculty and staff sentiment about various options and configurations. The feedback should be helpful to the work group in compiling the recommendations which are due to the Provost on April 3.

E-campus will have a transition very soon. Tim Matthews is retiring at the end of June. Ryan Baggett is currently working with a very large search committee for the search for Tim's successor. He will be providing periodic updates on the search process. Right now, they are reviewing applications. There are apparently some 40⁺ applications for that position.

We are starting the process for an RFP for an LMS. As you know, Blackboard is moving to Blackboard Ultra in the near future, so our choices will be to upgrade to Ultra or to go with another vendor. There will be a large cross-campus work group involved in that process. Ryan Baggett just finished creating the committee. There will also be student involvement on that committee as well.

NEW BUSINESS:

- *Should Senators Be Tenured Faculty?*
- Chair Crosby introduced the topic for consideration. After a lengthy discussion the committee decided to continue with the current practice of allowing departments to choose tenured and/or non-tenured faculty to serve as their Senate representatives.
- *Guest speakers for April Senate Meeting*
Paige Murphy was tentatively approved for an SGA Update.

REPORTS:

- *Academic Quality Committee - Senator Kay*

The data set that was summarized last year has been updated and shared with the committee for review.

Senator Brent is taking the lead on Bartleby and there may be a faculty survey sent out on that soon.

- *Budget Committee - Senator Grabeel*

Senator Yow is working on the revised Budget presentation and that should be available to present to Senate in April.

- *Elections and University Nominations Committee – Senator Spira*

The committee recently emailed the department chairs requesting names of replacements for outgoing senators as well as any updates on department merges, name changes, change in total number of representatives on Senate, etc. The deadline for updates is the end of April so that new senators can be on board in time to attend the May organizational meeting.

Senator Spira asked Chair Crosby to send the email out to the chairs again as a reminder. Secretary King suggested that Chair Crosby also make an announcement at the April meeting for outgoing senators to remind their chairs to hold elections before the end of April.

Faculty Welfare - Senator Jones

There were a total of 421 full-time and 206 part-time faculty who completed the survey. The committee will be working on the data analysis this week and the final report should be ready to present to Senate in May.

- *Information Technology Committee – Senator McGuffin*

Senator McGuffin agreed to serve as the Executive Committee liaison to the committee for the remainder of the academic year.

- *Rules Committee – Senator Bishop-Ross*

As the internal procedures were approved at the last Senate meeting and the committee had no further business to conduct, the last meeting was cancelled.

- *Rights and Responsibilities Committee – Chair Crosby reported for Senator Johnson*

Senator Brent will be presenting a resolution concerning the grievance regulation at the April Senate meeting.

University Committees

- *University General Education Committee – Senator Kay*

The next meeting is scheduled for Wednesday.

Other Reports

- *Faculty Regent Report - Jason Marion*

Our next activity for the Board is participating with some deans, and maybe even the Faculty Senate Chair, on an educational session sometime in mid-April regarding ECU as an employer of opportunity.

The next meeting for the Board will be on May 24th for a regularly scheduled quarterly meeting.

ADJOURNMENT:

Senator Bishop-Ross moved to adjourn at approximately 4:45pm, seconded by Senator Spira.