**Committee Name:** Executive Committee of University Senate (ECUS)

**Meeting Date & Time:** Friday, March 5, 2021, 2:00-3:15 p.m.

**Meeting Location:** Webex

**Attendance**:

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| **Members “P” denotes Present, “A” denotes Absent, “R” denotes Regrets** |
| **P** | Alex Blazer (CoAS, ECUS Secretary) |
| **P** | Hauke Busch (CoAS, ECUS Chair) |
| **R** | Steve Dorman (University President) |
| **P** | Catherine Fowler (CoHS, ECUS Vice-Chair) |
| **P** | David Johnson (CoAS, ECUS Chair Emeritus) |
| **P** | Karl Manrodt (CoB, ECUS Member) |
| **P** | Lyndall Muschell (CoE, ECUS Member) |
| **P** | Costas Spirou (Provost) |
| **P** | Jennifer Townes (Library, ECUS Member) |
| **Guests** |
| Shea Council (Administrative Assistant of the 2020-2021 University Senate) |

**Legend**

*Italicized text denotes information from a previous meeting.*

\*Denotes new discussion on old business.

Highlighted text denotes follow-up.

**Bold denotes action or recommendation.**

**I. Call to Order:** The meeting was called to order at 2:01 pm by Hauke Busch (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 12 Feb 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 — Hauke Busch**

1. **University Senate Budget** No spending is anticipated for the university budget at the present time.
2. **University Senate Recognitions** University Senate Recognitions (Certificates/Pins) are in the process of being distributed. Follow Up: David Johnson volunteers to help Shea Council.
3. **ECUS Discussion**
	1. **Nominations for Presidential Search Committee**
		1. Comment: The Presiding Officer identifies colleagues who would represent the institution effectively and appropriately.
		2. Comment: Chancellor Wrigley wants to know who understands where we’ve been, who we are, and where we can go. The Presiding Officer should nominate people who the campus trusts.
		3. Question: Are administrators asked to serve on the committee? Answer (Provost): I am not aware.
		4. Question: What is the timeline of the search? Answer (Provost): It is in the early stages; the timeline is unknown.
		5. Comment: Candidates for University President may want to know the Chancellor to whom they would report.
	2. **Parliamentarian**
		1. As his term of service was concluding, David Johnson volunteered to be Parliamentarian should the need arise.

**Presiding Officer Elect Report — Catherine Fowler**

1. **Faculty Senator Election Results**
	1. **College of Arts & Sciences**
		1. Greg Glotzbecker
		2. James Trae Welborn
		3. Jennifer Flory
		4. Sandra Trujillo
	2. **College of Business**
		1. James Folk
		2. Frank Richardson
		3. Leng Ling
		4. Nicholas Creel
	3. **College of Education**
		1. Lyndall Muschell
		2. Paulette Cross
	4. **College of Health Sciences**
		1. Damian Francis (Elected to complete Susan Steele’s term 2021-2023)
	5. **Library and Information Technology Center**
		1. Lamonica Sanford
	6. **At-large Faculty Senator Election:**
		1. Catherine Fowler
2. **SGA Senators** The Selected Student Senators are SGA President James Robertson and Molly Robbins.
3. **Call for Volunteers for Standing Committees and University Committees** 14 faculty have volunteered.
4. **2021-2022 Slate of Nominees, Presiding Officer Elect, and Secretary** The slate is being drafted. There are four nominations for Presiding Officer Elect and one nomination for Secretary. The nomination for Secretary has been accepted, but the nominations for POE have not. Follow Up: Catherine Fowler, Alex Blazer, and Lyndall Muschell will reach out to POE nominees.
5. **USG Chancellor Search Listening Session** They want 8 strong candidates. Send candidate names to the search firm, Parker.
6. **ECUS Discussion**
	1. **2021-2022 Slate of Nominees, Presiding Officer Elect, and Secretary**
		1. Comment: When composing Standing Committees, consider college representation, committee continuity, and the Senator preference. Follow Up: David Johnson will review the slate.

**V. Unfinished Business**

1. **Senate Representatives on University Committees** The new IT Government Advisory Committees need to be added to the University Committees document. Follow Up: Catherine Fowler will amend the document.

**VI. New Business**

1. **Standing Committee Organization Meeting**
	1. Comment: A suggestion has been made that the 2021-2022 committee chair election should take place during the Senate organizational meeting. This would help with addressing any senate business that might arise during the summer.
	2. Comment: According to the bylaws, committee officers are elected during the Standing Committee Organizational Meeting, which is set by ECUS. ECUS shifted the Standing Committee Organizational Meeting to the Governance Retreat because not enough members were in attendance to hold elections when the meeting was held in April.
	3. Comment: After the business of the University Senate organization meeting is conducted, standing committees can go to breakout rooms, and ECUS members can facilitate officer elections.
	4. Comment: A personal email should be sent to all standing committee members inviting them to the University Senate organizational meeting / Standing Committee organizational meeting.
2. **Standing Committee Annual Reports**
	1. Comment: Could the report deadline be the day before the University Senate organizational meeting?
	2. Comment: ECUS consults with Standing Committee Chairs to set the deadline.

**VII. Open Discussion**

1. **None**

**VIII. Next Meeting**

1. **Calendar**
	1. University Senate Meeting – Friday, March 26, 3:30 p.m., Webex
	2. ECUS Meeting – Friday, April 9, 2:00 p.m., Webex
	3. ECUS+SCC Meeting – Friday, April 9, 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. Hauke Busch will ensure that such items (if any) are added to the agenda of a future meeting of ECUS or ECUS-SCC.

**IX. Adjournment:** 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 2:55 p.m.**

**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:** Hauke Busch (Chair), Catherine Fowler (Vice-Chair), Alex Blazer (Secretary)

**Academic Year:** 2020-2021

**Aggregate Member Attendance at Committee Meetings for the Academic Year:**

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| Acronyms |  | EFS = Elected Faculty SenatorCoAS = College of Arts and Sciences; CoB = College of Business; CoE = College of Education; CoHS = College of Health Sciences |
| Meeting Dates | 9/4 | 10/2 | 11/6 | 1/8 | 2/12 | 3/5 | 4/9 | P | R | A |
| Alex Blazer*EFS, CoASECUS Secretary* | P | P | P | P | P | P |  | 6 | 0 | 0 |
| Hauke Busch*EFS, CoASECUS Vice-Chair* | P | P | P | P | P | P |  | 6 | 0 | 0 |
| Steve Dorman*University President* | R | R | R | R | R | R |  | 0 | 6 | 0 |
| Catherine Fowler*EFS, CoHSECUS Member* | P | P | P | P | P | P |  | 6 | 0 | 0 |
| David Johnson*EFS, CoASECUS Chair Emer.* | P | P | P | P | P | P |  | 6 | 0 | 0 |
| Karl Manrodt*EFS, CoBECUS Member* | P | A | P | P | P | P |  | 5 | 0 | 1 |
| Lyndall Muschell*EFS, CoEECUS Member* | P | P | P | P | P | P |  | 6 | 0 | 0 |
| Costas Spirou*Provost* | P | P | P | P | P | P |  | 6 | 0 | 0 |
| Jennifer Townes*EFS, LibraryECUS Member* | P | P | P | P | P | P |  | 6 | 0 | 0 |