

**COMMITTEE NAME:** EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE OF UNIVERSITY SENATE (ECUS)  
**MEETING DATE & TIME:** FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 11, 2022, 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 7 Jan 2022 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. **Motions** President Cox’s preferences for motions have been clarified. If University Senate is stating an opinion in a resolution, President Cox will acknowledge the resolution. If Senate is making a policy recommendation, then President Cox will approve or not approve the policy recommendation. If Senate is taking an internal action, such as revising the slate of nominees or updating the handbook, then President Cox will approve or not approve the other motion. We will need to update the University Senate Handbook. We will continue to use motion memos. When President Cox sends resolutions to external bodies such as the BOR or USG, she would like to have a “forward to” box added to the motion database system. **Follow Up: Alex Blazer will contact IT.**

2. **BOR Tenure Changes** Catherine Fowler is the Provost Task Force co-chair. The group is working on revising GC policies.
3. **Presidential Inauguration** President Cox's Inauguration will be May 2, 2022.
4. **Senate Recognitions** Catherine Fowler requested recognition certificates. New Senator pins will be given in person if the organizational meeting is face-to-face; they will be delivered should the meeting be held online.

## Presiding Officer Elect Report — Jennifer Flory

1. **Election Oversight**
  - a. College of Arts & Sciences
    - i. BIOL: Matthew Milnes
    - ii. CHEM: Donovan Domingue and Peter Rosado
    - iii. ENGL: Alex Blazer and Kerry James Evans
    - iv. MATH: Rodica Cazacu
    - v. PALS: Sabrina Hom
    - vi. PSYCH: Stephanie Jett
    - vii. THEA: Amy Pinney
  - b. College of Business: Brad Fowler (IS/CS)
  - c. College of Health Sciences: Sarah Myers (HHP)
2. **At-Large Elected Faculty Senator Election**
  - a. We are waiting for an update from Neil Jones through Shea Council regarding any changes in the Corps of Instruction list for emails to be sent. We have lost at least six people since fall and added at least four. In the meantime, I reached out to College Deans and the Library Director.
3. **Standing Committees and Senate Representatives on University Committees** After elections, Jennifer (Standing Committees) and Cat (Senate Representatives on University Committees) will review and populate committees.
4. **Representative Replacement** Liz Speelman is replacing James Schiffman as the elected faculty senator on the University Curriculum Committee.
5. **Governance Retreat** The date is Monday, August 8. I will be reaching out to The Club at Lake Sinclair to book once the governance calendar is final.
6. **Potential Parliamentarian for 2022-23** Both Natalie King and Bill Fisher have expressed interest. I will reach out to them and try to finalize by March.
7. **ECUS Discussion**
  - a. **Governance Retreat** ECUS discussed the rationale for moving the governance retreat from Rock Eagle 4-H Center to The Club at Lake Sinclair. Rock Eagle required a bus while The Club was closer to campus. Rock Eagle was used for full day retreats while The Club was used for half day retreats.

## V. Unfinished Business

1. **2022-2023 Governance Calendar** The committee discussed the historical rationale of Graduate Council, GEC, and UCC meeting outside the common meeting time (faculty

serve on both University Senate and Curriculum committees). The committee noted that deans and chairs need to be aware of and respect department and college meeting times.

- a. **ECUS Action A Motion** to approve the calendar was made and seconded. **The motion to approve the calendar was approved.**
2. **BOR Tenure Changes** The Provost's Office received final guidelines from the system office, which the Provost's Task Force is using to draft university policies.
3. **Parliamentarian Needed for 2022-2023** Two people volunteered over the summer.

## VI. New Business

1. **University Senate Handbook** will need to be updated in the fall to distinguish between presidential acknowledgements of resolutions, presidential approval or disapproval of policy recommendations, and presidential approval or disapproval of other motions such as slate of nominees and handbook revisions.

## VII. Open Discussion

1. None.

## VIII. Next Meeting

1. **Calendar**
  - a. University Senate Meeting – Friday, February 25, 3:30 p.m., Webex
  - b. ECUS Meeting – Friday, March 4, 2:00 p.m., Webex
  - c. ECUS+SCC Meeting – Friday, March 4, 3:30 p.m., Webex
  - d. University Senate Meeting – Friday, March 25, 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 2:30 p.m.**

## X. Supporting Documents

1. There is one supporting document.
  - a. *Supporting-AtLargeSenatorElectionProcedures\_2022-02-11.pdf*

**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:** CATHERINE FOWLER (CHAIR), JENNIFER FLORY (VICE-CHAIR), ALEX BLAZER (SECRETARY)

**ACADEMIC YEAR:** 2021-2022

**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	9/3	10/1	11/5	1/7	2/11	3/4	4/8	P	R	A	
Alex Blazer <i>EFS, CoAS</i> <i>ECUS Secretary</i>	P	P	P	P	P			5	0	0	
Hauke Busch <i>EFS, CoAS, ECUS</i> <i>Chair Emeritus</i>	P	P	P	P	P			5	0	0	
Cathy Cox <i>University President</i>	NA	R	R	R	R			0	4	0	
Jennifer Flory <i>EFS, CoAS</i> <i>ECUS Vice-Chair</i>	P	P	P	P	P			5	0	0	
Catherine Fowler <i>EFS, CoHS</i> <i>ECUS Chair</i>	P	P	P	P	P			5	0	0	
Karl Manrodt <i>EFS, CoB</i> <i>ECUS Member</i>	P	P	P	R	P			4	1	0	
Lyndall Muschell <i>EFS, CoE</i> <i>ECUS Member</i>	P	P	R	P	P			4	1	0	
Lamonica Sanford <i>EFS, Library</i> <i>ECUS Member</i>	P	P	P	P	P			5	0	0	
Costas Spirou <i>Provost</i>	P	P	P	R	P			4	1	0	