

FACULTY SENATE MEETING AGENDA
September 21, 2021
3:30 PM

Presentation by Advancement (Allison Leitner and Bob Pierce)

Presentation by Benefits Committee (Erica Shumate, Lurethia James, and Jay Haley)

Presentation by GET (Andre Denham, Erik Peterson, and Chapman Greer) re: GET Feasibility Study / Proposed Models

Roll Call and Quorum Check - (Barb Dahlbach)

Approval/Correction of the Minutes for August 17th – (Barb Dahlbach)

President’s Report – (Chapman Greer)

- COVID Town Hall Sept. with Provost Dalton and Dr. Ricky Friend
- BoT meeting 9.16.21-9.17.21
- Senate Sub-Committee Agendas for 2021-2022 (see final page)

Vice President’s Report – (Matthew Hudnall) – No Report

Secretary’s Report – (Barb Dahlbach)

- Update on resignations, vacancies, and committee assignments

Senate Committee Reports:

- **Diversity, Equity & Inclusion – (Lyndell McDonald & Luke Niiler)**
 - <https://diversity.ua.edu/events-news/>
- **Faculty & Senate Governance – (Ibrahim Çemen & Jeri Zemke)**
 - Jeff Weddle as Faculty Ombudsperson candidate
- **Academic Affairs – (Rona Donahoe & Babs Davis)**
 - The Academic Affairs Committee discussed the following during its 9/7/21 meeting
 - Academic Misconduct Policy revision
 - Academic Program Review Council proposal
- **Community & Legislative Affairs – (Joy Burnham & Steven Yates) – No Report**
 - United Way campaign promotion
 - Redistricting public input meetings underway
(<https://www.alabamaneews.net/content/uploads/2021/08/q/a/2021-Legislative-Reapportionment-Public-Hearings-Final.pdf>)
 - Neighborhood Partnership Meeting, August 25, 2021
 - Brewer Porch Luncheon: Details forthcoming
- **Faculty Life – (Heather Elliott & Ruth Ann Hall)**
 - Met 9.7.21 with HES’s Children's Program to move forward with a childcare recommendation

- **Financial Affairs** – *(Mary Stone & Byung-Cheol Kim)*
 - Report on meeting with Matt Fajack’s Office 9.13.21
- **Research & Service** – *(Shanlin Pan & Douglas Bish)*
 - Work with IT / SC committee to aid in software acquisition process for Faculty
- **IT & Strategic Communications** – *(Patrick Kung & Nathan Loewen)*

On 08-13-2021 The entire subcommittee met with Monica Watts and Ryan Bradley
Ryan Bradley is now the VP for Strategic Communications. Our sub-committee recommends that FS invite Ryan to meet and address the Senate. Additionally, we learned the following:

 - External and internal communications:
 - Faculty should know StratCom is who sends out all UA communications, which often depend on approval from UA leadership.
 - StratCom does substantial work to produce all UA media related to COVID. We recommend that FS ensure our constituents better know the significant extent of that ongoing work.
 - Websites:
 - Faculty sites will remain with CIT, not managed by Strat Comm.
 - The ua.edu home page is part of a plan to make UA websites “turn-key” and therefore easier to build, manage, and sustain. We see this as an important development for continuity during staff and faculty changes.
 - The website architecture also integrates the alert system and ensures ADA accessibility
 - StratComm developed an incredible amount of media for faculty use. See “resources/downloads” on left menu at Brand Guidelines – | The University of Alabama (ua.edu)
 - Faculty should know StratComm created an on-campus professional network of developers with knowledge to share/help across campus. (Campus communicators/Trending Tide/Web Developers Network). Hiring and retaining web-developers remains a challenge (pay scale is at odds with moving to Tuscaloosa; thus remote hires are continuing)
- **Student Life** – *(Jennifer Dempsey & Amy Traylor)*
 - Report on meeting with VP Pope
 - Report on meeting with SGA President Jillian Fields

Reports from Other Committees

Old Business

New Business

Reminders

- **Next SC meeting: October 19th – Venue: Zoom. Link will be sent out with the Oct 2021 Agenda**

Adjourn