

**University of Alabama Faculty Senate**  
**Community and Legislative Affairs Committee**  
**2021-2022 Report**

This report describes the activities of the Community and Legislative Affairs Committee for Academic Year 2021-2022. This report updates activities completed since the last report submitted in May 2021.

Our five goals for Academic Year 2021-2022 were set in August 2021. The goals were:

1. Continue meetings with Dr. Samory Pruitt's Office.
2. Keep Faculty Senate apprised of legislative developments.
3. Hold legislative reception.
4. Provide support for Brewer-Porch Children's Center with a teacher appreciation lunch.
5. Work to support the United Way's fundraising.

The following goals were completed this academic year:

1. **Support of United Way.**  
Committee Co-Chair Steven Yates attended the United Way Kick-off in October 2021. We reminded Faculty Senators about the United Way campaign. UA reached the goal of \$400,000 in 2021.
2. **Support of the Coat Drive benefitting Brewer-Porch.**  
We worked to promote the Professional Staff Assembly Coat Drive. Committee Co-Chair Joy Burnham coordinated this work.
3. **Legislative Delegation Relationships.**  
Our committee enjoys a strong working relationship with Charlie Taylor, Director of Governmental Affairs and Economic/Workforce Development for the University of Alabama System. Steven communicated with Mr. Taylor throughout the year. The Faculty Senate Legislative Reception was held January 31, 2022. Senator Gerald Allen, Representatives Chris England and Cynthia Almond attended along with Mr. Taylor and Trustee Emeritus Judge John England, Jr. A picture from the event appears at the end of this report
4. **UA Office of Community Affairs' Neighborhood Partnerships Committee.**  
Another area where our committee interacts with local elected officials is the UA Office of Community Affairs' Neighborhood Partnerships Committee. Senate President Chapman Greer and committee co-chairs Joy and Steven represent the Faculty Senate. The 2020-2021 meetings were held in August and February on Zoom. Senate President Chapman Greer and Joy attended the August meeting and Steven and Chapman attended the February meeting. Committee member Serena Blount served this year as a liaison with Community Affairs.
5. **Brewer-Porch Appreciation Luncheon.**

The Brewer-Porch leadership chose May 5, 2022 for the event. Approximately 80 Brewer-Porch staff were in attendance. Pictures from the luncheon appear at the end of this report.

***Looking Ahead***

The 2022-2023 Community and Legislative Affairs has several new faces working with Co-chairs Steven Yates and Joy Burnham. Our preliminary goals include maintaining regular meetings with UA's Community Affairs division and continuing to stay abreast of legislative developments. We plan to continue our support of Brewer-Porch Children's Center and the SAFE Center.

Respectfully submitted,

The 2021-2022 Community and Legislative Affairs Committee  
Joy Burnham and Steven Yates, Co-chairs

Senate Legislative Reception – January 31, 2022



Brewer-Porch Teacher Appreciation Day – May 5, 2022

