

**FACULTY SENATE MEETING AGENDA**  
**February 18, 2020**  
**3:30 PM – Room 1018 North Lawn Hall**

**Speakers:**

- **Bobby Prince**, Associate VP and **Mary Lawhorn**, Director of Annual Giving, Division of Advancement
- **Jay Haley**, Heath Plan Administrator and **Carolyn MacVicar**, Wellness & Work-Life Manager, Benefits Office, HR

**Roll Call and Quorum Check** (*Barb Dahlbach*)

**Approval/Corrections to the Minutes for January 21, 2020** (*Barb Dahlbach*)

**President's Report** – (*Rona Donahoe*)

- UAB Institutional BOT Meeting
- VP for Student Life – Dr. Myron L. Pope starts 5/4/20
- Soft Provost Application Deadline: 2/24
- Bryant-Denny Stadium Seating Changes
- Legislative Update
- COD Response to Faculty Handbook Change
- Announcements:
  - AWI Director Interviews: 2/13, 2/20 and 2/25
  - Black Votes Matter: 2/20, 6:30 PM, Ferguson Ballroom
  - Diversity Educators Summit: 2/21, 12:00-3:00 PM, G-55 Rose
  - Foster Care Informational Summit: 2/23, 3:00-5:00 PM, Ferguson Ballroom
  - 2020 Alabama Affordable Learning Conference, 3/20 – Babs Davis
  - ASADS Opioid Addiction Community Event, 3/25. 5:30-7:30, Sellers Aud., BCC

**Vice President's Report** – (*Chapman Greer*)

- General Education Taskforce Purpose Statement, Guiding Principles, and General Education Learning Objectives

**Secretary's Report** – (*Barb Dahlbach*)

- Update on Senate Elections

**Senate Committee Reports:**

**Student Life** – (*Kabe Moen & Amy Traylor*)

- Meeting with Dr. Cramer, Interim VPSL
- Tuscaloosa SAFE Center Update

**Faculty Life** – (*Jenni Cox & Andrea Glenn*)

- New Faculty Website Development
- Parental Leave – Next Steps?

**Academic Affairs** – (*John Vincent & Andre Denham*)

- Undergraduate Catalog: Excused Absences Policy

### **Diversity, Equity & Inclusion** – *(Mirit Eyal-Cohen & Ignacio Rodeno)*

- Affinity Groups
- Syllabus Diversity Statement:

Diversity and Inclusion Statement: The University of Alabama supports an intellectual community enhanced by a diverse population. We respect the different identities, experiences, beliefs, perspectives, and values expressed by faculty, students, staff, and guests that are a benefit in this course. Each student has a voice and a right to share unique opinions that build classroom discussion and knowledge transfer in a respectful and open manner.

In accordance with the values of the University of Alabama, the instructor of this course values the commitment to diversity and inclusion, and strives to engage in equitable verbal and non-verbal behavior with respect to differences arising from age, background, citizenship, disability, sex, education, ethnicity, family status, gender, gender identity, geographical location, military experience, political views, race, religion, sexual orientation, and socioeconomic status.

If you see or suspect unethical, biased, or **unlawful** behavior related to any area of diversity, you may report your concerns here: <https://diversity.ua.edu/incident-reporting/>.

### **Faculty & Senate Governance** – *(Ibrahim Çemen & Janie Hubbard)*

- Commencement Marshals for May 2020 and August 2020 Convocations
- Faculty Ombudsperson Nominations are due Feb 21<sup>st</sup>
- Mediation Committee nominations are due on Feb 28<sup>th</sup>
- Faculty Senate Officers election

### **Research & Service** – *(Ajay Agrawal & Si Blackstock)*

- Updates from Dr. Russ Mumper, VPRED

### **Financial Affairs** – *(Christopher Lynn & Rainer Schad)*

- Faculty Salary Data

### **Community & Legislative Affairs** – *(Joy Burnham & Steven Yates)*

- UA Census Committee: Jeremy Crawford
- Higher Education Day: February 27<sup>th</sup>, Montgomery
- Legislative Reception: Monday, March 9<sup>th</sup>, 4:00-6:00 PM, Gorgas House

### **IT & Strategic Communications** – *(Matthew Hudnall & Dan Meissner)* – No Report

### **Reports from Other Committees**

- Taskforce to Transform Campus Culture Update *(Michael Altman & Barb Dahlbach)*
  - Open Forum: February 19<sup>th</sup>, 12:00-1:30 PM, room 2019 Gorgas Library

### **Reminders**

- Next meeting: March 24, 2020
  - Speaker: Alabama Counts! Census Committee

### **Adjourn**