



2020-2021 FACULTY SENATE

The first regular meeting of the 2020-2021 Faculty Senate will be held on **Tuesday, September 1, 2020**, at 2:10 pm as a virtual meeting, using WebEx

AGENDA

[Webex meeting link](#)

**Revised*

I. Call to Order

II. Approval of Minutes

[August 4, 2020](#) minutes

III. Special Order of the Day

A. Roll Call

B. [Announcements](#)

C. Vern Davenport, Chair of the ECU Board of Trustees and Chancellor Search Committee

D. Ron Mitchelson, Interim Chancellor

E. Sara Thorndike, Vice Chancellor for Administration and Finance

F. Purificación Martínez, Chair of the Faculty

G. Question Period

IV. Unfinished Business

V. Report of Graduate Council

The first report from Graduate Council will be presented at the October meeting.

VI. Report of Committees

A. Committee on Committees, Melinda Doty

1. Election of one 2021 term alternate member to Grievance Board (attachment 1).

2. Election of one 2021 term regular member, one 2023 term regular member, and one 2021 term alternate member to Reconsideration Committee (attachment 2).

3. First reading of proposed revisions to the University Budget Committee charge (attachment 3).
4. First reading of proposed revisions to the General Education and Instructional Effectiveness Committee charge (attachment 4).
5. ~~First reading of proposed revisions to the Distance Education and Learning Technology Committee charge (attachment 5).~~ *(removed for further study by Distance Education and Learning Technology Committee)*

B. Admission and Retention Policies Committee, Eli Hvastkovs*
Recommendation in favor of a Pass/Fail option for Fall 2020.

VII. New Business

1. Resolution on Institutional Autonomy in Chancellor Searches, Ralph Scott (attachment 6)
2. Resolution on the Service of Dr. David Dennard, Crystal Chambers (attachment 7).

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COMMITTEE ON COMMITTEES REPORT
Election of one 2021 term alternate member to Grievance Board

Nominee: Douglas Moore-Monroe, Associate Professor, Music

GRIEVANCE BOARD (tenured faculty members; two year terms)

Regular Members	Academic Unit	Faculty Status	Term	College/School	Office Location	Mail #	Office #
Brian Muzyka	Dental Medicine	Associate Professor	2021	Dental Medicine	Moye Blvd 600	701	744-4618
Mustafa Selim	Medicine	Professor	2021	Medicine	Brody 6W29	633	367-4534
Eric Horsman	Geological Sciences	Associate Professor	2021	Arts & Sciences	Graham 101	558	328-7765
Louis Warren	Education	Professor	2023	Education	Speight 206	504	328-4124
Virginia Stage	Allied Health Sciences	Associate Professor	2023	Allied Health Sciences	Health Sciences 2307B	668	744-1001
Alternate Members							
OPEN			2021				
Patricia Dragon	Academic Library Serv.	Associate Professor	2021	Academic Library Serv.	Joyner 1204	516	328-0296
Essie Torres	Health Educ. & Promotion	Associate Professor	2021	Health and Human Perf.	Belk 3202	529	328-1818
Jill Twark	Foreign Languages & Literatures	Associate Professor	2021	Arts & Sciences	Bate 3316	556	328-6536
Kelley Reinsmith-Jones	Social Work	Associate Professor	2023	Hlth & Human Performance	Rivers West 238	505	328-1450
Michele Stacey	Criminal Justice	Associate Professor	2023	Arts & Sciences	Rivers 245	155	328-5559
Ralph Scott	Academic Library Services	Professor	2023	Academic Library Services	Joyner 4005	516	328-0265

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COMMITTEE ON COMMITTEES REPORT

Election of one 2021 term regular member, one 2023 term regular member,
and one 2021 term alternate member to Reconsideration Committee

**Nominees: Crystal Chambers, Professor, Education (2021 term)
Donna Roberson, Associate Professor, Nursing (2023 term)
Jeni Parker, Associate Professor, Theatre & Dance (alternate 2021 term)
Sitawa Kimuna, Professor, Sociology (alternate 2023 term)**

RECONSIDERATION COMMITTEE (tenured faculty members)

Regular Members	Academic Unit	Faculty Status	Term	College/School	Office Location	Mail #	Office #
OPEN			2021				
John Stiller	Biology	Professor	2022	Arts & Sciences	Howell S-301A	551	328-2738
Nicholas Rupp	Economics	Professor	2022	Arts & Sciences	Brewster A-437	580	328-6821
David Collier	Medicine	Professor	2023	Medicine	Brody 3E139	632	744-2525
OPEN			2023				
Alternate Members							
OPEN			2021				
Catherine Schwartz	Education	Associate Professor	2021	Education	Flanagan 325	566	737-2305
Alexander Murashov	Medicine	Associate Professor	2022	Medicine	Brody 6N-74	634	744-3111
Donna Roberson **OPEN UPON ELECTION INTO OPEN 2023 TERM**	Nursing	Associate Professor	2023	Nursing	Health Sciences 2124	162	744-6380
Jo Anne Balanay	Health Ed. & Promotion	Associate Professor	2023	Hlth & Human Performance	Belk 3407	529	737-1474

COMMITTEE ON COMMITTEES REPORT

First reading of proposed revisions to the University Budget Committee charge

(Additions are noted in **bold** and deletions in ~~strike through~~.)

1. Name: University Budget Committee

2. Membership:

7 elected faculty members (no more than one of whom may be fixed term).

Ex-officio members (with vote): The Chancellor or an appointed representative, the Provost or an appointed representative, the Vice Chancellor for Health Sciences or an appointed representative, the Vice Chancellor for Research, Economic Development and Engagement or an appointed representative, the Vice Chancellor for Administration and Finance or an appointed representative, the Vice Chancellor for Student Affairs or an appointed representative, the Chair of the Faculty, one faculty senator selected by the Chair of the Faculty, and one student member from the Student Government Association.

The chair of the committee may invite resource persons as necessary to realize the committee charge. The chair of the committee may appoint such subcommittees as he or she deems necessary.

3. Quorum: 4 elected members exclusive of ex-officio.

4. Committee Responsibilities:

A. The committee serves as a communication link between the Faculty Senate and the Chancellor for budgetary matters. The committee informs the Faculty Senate about changes and proposed changes in the university budget.

B. The committee receives information and advises the Chancellor regarding budgetary and reallocation decisions.

C. The committee advises the Chancellor through the Faculty Senate on annual budget priorities and policy, biennial budget requests and priorities, tuition changes, and the relationship of budget decisions to the university's mission.

D. One committee representative serves as an ex-officio member on the administrative Tuition and Fees Committee.

5. To Whom The Committee Reports:

The committee advises the Chancellor through their reports to the Faculty Senate concerning its recommendations to the Chancellor.

6. How Often The Committee Reports:

The committee reports to the Faculty Senate at least once a year and at other times as necessary.

7. Power Of The Committee To Act Without Faculty Senate Approval:
The committee is empowered to advise the Chancellor as described in section 4.A. above.
8. Standard Meeting Time:
The committee **meets one Thursday each month, with specific days and times to be scheduled so as to avoid conflict with meetings of the ECU Board of Trustees or the UNC Board of Governors.** ~~meeting time is scheduled for the third Thursday of each month.~~

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COMMITTEE ON COMMITTEES REPORT

First reading of proposed revisions to the
General Education and Instructional Effectiveness Committee charge

(Additions are noted in **bold** and deletions in ~~strikethrough~~.)

1. Name: General Education and Instructional Effectiveness
2. Membership: 8 elected faculty members. Ex-officio members (with vote): The Chancellor or an appointed representative, the Provost or an appointed representative, the Vice Chancellor for Health Sciences or an appointed representative, the Chair of the Faculty, one faculty senator selected by the Chair of the Faculty, and one student member from the Student Government Association. The chair of the committee may invite resource persons as necessary to realize the committee charge. The chair of the committee may appoint such subcommittees as he or she deems necessary.
3. Quorum: 4 elected members exclusive of ex-officio.
4. Committee Responsibilities:
 - A. The committee recommends policies to improve and advance faculty teaching and student learning.
 - B. The committee promotes teaching excellence and recommends means to identify faculty teaching success, including development of peer review instruments for teaching face-to-face and distance education courses. The committee assists units requesting aid in developing teaching evaluation instruments for personnel decisions. The committee recommends policies and programs to improve the physical environment in which teaching occurs. The committee provides a forum for faculty opinion concerning the design of new academic buildings and renovation of existing academic buildings.
 - C. The committee makes recommendations regarding proposed changes, including individual courses, in the general education and diversity curriculum. The committee makes recommendations to the Faculty Senate regarding proposed changes in the general education and diversity requirements.*
 - D. The committee periodically reviews existing General Education and Diversity course offerings and recommends, as appropriate, changes to course General Education and Diversity status in order to ensure that the Student Learning Outcomes for the General Education and Diversity curriculum are being met.**

- ED.** The committee reviews the annual report of the Director of the Writing Across the Curriculum Program and the Dean of The Honors College.
- FE.** The committee reviews honors seminar proposals for general education credit, diversity credit, or both.
- GF.** The chair or appointed representative serves as an ex-officio member of the University Athletics Committee and Honors College Faculty Advisory Committee.
- HG.** The Committee reviews at least annually those sections within the University Undergraduate Catalog and University Graduate Catalog that correspond to the Committee's charge and recommends changes as necessary.

5. To Whom The Committee Reports:

The committee reports to the Faculty Senate its recommendations of policies, procedures, and criteria cited above. The committee recommends curricular changes in the general education and diversity curriculum to the Faculty Senate.

6. How Often The Committee Reports:

The committee reports to the Faculty Senate at least once a year and at other times as necessary.

7. Power Of The Committee To Act Without Faculty Senate Approval:

None

8. Standard Meeting Time:

The committee meeting time is scheduled for the third Monday of each month.

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*Report postponed for further study by
Distance Education and Learning Technology Committee*

COMMITTEE ON COMMITTEES REPORT

First reading of proposed revisions to the
Distance Education and Learning Technology Committee charge

(Additions are noted in **bold** and deletions in ~~strikethrough~~.)

1. Name: Distance Education and Learning Technology Committee
2. Membership:
9 elected faculty members.

Ex-officio members (with vote): The Chancellor or an appointed representative, the Provost or an appointed representative, the Vice Chancellor for Health Sciences or an appointed representative, the Chair of the Faculty, one Faculty Senator selected by the Chair of the Faculty, one member of the Graduate Council selected by the Dean of the Graduate School, the **Director of Distance Learning and Educational Technology Initiatives** **Chief**

Information Officer or an appointed representative, and one student member from the Student Government Association.

The chair of the committee may invite resource persons as necessary to realize the committee charge. The chair of the committee may appoint such subcommittees as he or she deems necessary.

3. Quorum: 5 elected members exclusive of ex-officio.
4. Committee Responsibilities:
 - A. The committee reviews and recommends policies and procedures to enhance faculty teaching and student learning in distance education.
 - B. The committee reviews policies from the Office of Continuing Studies relevant to the effectiveness of the University's distance education policies and procedures and recommends changes as necessary.
 - C. The committee ensures timely, informed faculty opinion on any technology action in any area that may affect significantly the University's academic mission. The committee recommends policy related to the academic use of technology. All information technology actions that affect more than one academic unit or that are initiated above the academic College or School department levels are recognized as actions that may affect significantly the University's academic mission.
 - D. The committee initiates, reviews, and makes recommendations on proposals to plan, implement, revise or eliminate technology initiatives, goals, standards, policies, procedures or actions that significantly impact the University's academic mission.
 - E. The committee prepares and makes available a format for proposals requesting permission to plan, implement, revise or eliminate an information technology initiative, goal, standards, policy, procedure or action.
 - F. The Committee reviews at least annually those sections within the *University Undergraduate Catalog* and *University Graduate Catalog* that corresponds to the Committee's charge and recommends changes as necessary.
 - G. The Committee reviews at least annually those policies within Part VI, Section III of the *ECU Faculty Manual* that corresponds to the Committee's charge and recommends changes as necessary.
 - H. Two appointed representatives serve as ex-officio members on the administrative Information Resources Coordinating Council (IRCC), one appointed representative serves on the administrative Copyright Committee and one appointed representative serves on the administrative IT Accessibility Committee.
 - I. The chair serves as a liaison between the Faculty Senate and Chief Information Officer.
5. To Whom The Committee Reports:

The committee reports to the Faculty Senate its recommendations of policies, procedures, and criteria cited in 4. above.
6. How Often The Committee Reports:

The committee reports to the Faculty Senate at least once a year and at other times as necessary.
7. Power Of The Committee To Act Without Faculty Senate Approval:

The committee is empowered to advise the appropriate personnel as described in 4. above.

8. Standard Meeting Time:

The committee meeting time is scheduled for the fourth Wednesday of each month.

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NEW BUSINESS

Resolution on Institutional Autonomy in Chancellor Searches

Whereas the search process for a new chancellor is critical and must reflect a fundamental commitment to the principles of local decision making and shared governance.

Whereas best practices in the selection of a new Chancellor “should follow upon a cooperative search by the governing board and the faculty, taking into consideration the opinions of others who are appropriately interested” ([1966 Statement on Government of Colleges and Universities](#), formulated jointly by the AAUP, the American Council on Education, and the Association of Governing Boards of Universities and Colleges).

Whereas as seen in past experience at East Carolina University and other University of North Carolina institutions, selecting a chancellor who does not have the support of the local campus community will severely compromise their ability to be effective.

Whereas the [UNC Policy Manual](#) 200.8.III.c already calls on the President to “assure that opportunities for chancellor vacancies shall be promoted in a manner that encourages interest from well qualified candidates who are current residents of the State of North Carolina.”

Whereas [the UNC Chancellor Selection Manual](#) already gives authority to the President to return “the slate to the board of trustees with instructions for further action” if they are unsatisfied with the outcome of the search.

Whereas the Board of Governors (BOG) Committee on Personnel and Tenure has proposed [a change to the selection process](#) that will enable the system President to bypass the decisions of the local Boards of Trustees and local Chancellor Search Committees, to wit: “In any chancellor search, the president shall have the discretion to designate up to two individuals from the president’s succession planning efforts to become candidates upon their submission of complete applications.”

Whereas the President’s candidates then shall proceed with search committee interviews and shall automatically appear on the slate that the board of trustees refers to the system President, effectively disregarding countless hours of effort by the local search committee and annulling the authority of the local board of trustees; now, therefore be it

Resolved, the ECU Faculty Senate hereby declares that the proposed changes to Section 200.8 of the UNC Policy Manual a radical and dangerous expansion in the powers of the system President and would circumvent institutional sovereignty and shared governance in the process

where it is most critical; that is, choosing an executive leader who has the trust and support of the University community; and

Be it Further Resolved that the ECU Faculty Senate calls for the removal of language permitting candidates designated by the President to automatically become part of the slate referred by the Board of Trustees for the President's consideration, even against the carefully considered judgment of the Search Committee and Board of Trustees.

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Resolution on the Service of Dr. David Dennard

Whereas, Dr. David Dennard joined the ECU faculty in 1986 and has faithfully, steadfastly, and proactively served as a mentor and supporter of Black students and faculty; and

Whereas, Dr. Dennard served the state of North Carolina in its inclusion of African American history as a two time gubernatorial appointee to the North Carolina Historical Commission, Director of the Institute for Historical and Cultural Research, appointee to the Historic Bath Commission, and chair of the African American Advisory Committee for Tryon Palace, and as a member of the Tryon Palace Foundation.

Whereas, Dr. Dennard led efforts to create and sustain the African and African American Studies Program from 2007 to 2015.

Whereas, Dr. Dennard has served to ignite the critical consciousness of the ECU community for over 34 years.

Therefore, Be It Resolved That the East Carolina University Faculty Senate, representing all ECU faculty members, commends Dr. Dennard for his contributions to our community; his decades of outstanding teaching, service, scholarship and leadership.