

Senate Executive Committee Meeting Agenda



Senate Executive Committee (SEC) Meeting Monday, February 10, 2025 -- 3:15pm (In Person: WAB 227)

Present: M. McKerral, S. Bonis, E. Kondratieff, A. Jerome, S. Riehn, J. Logsdon, S. Flener, K. Smith, G. Ellis-Griffith, S. Spiller (for S. Leguizamon), J. Shankweiler, M. Crowder (R. Ayers), B. Fischer

Guests: R. Hale, J. Hammonds

A. Approve minutes of previous month's SEC Meeting:

1. [SEC Meeting Minutes, 1.13.25](#)

1st: Flener/2nd: Jerome; motion passes (unanimous)

B. Officer Reports

1. [Chair - Mac McKerral \(Report Posted\)](#)
 - a. See report posted. Mac discussed meeting with President including daycare, athletic spending updates, R2, and Colonnade.
2. Vice Chair - Dan Clark
3. Secretary - Sarah Bonis

C. Standing Committee Reports:

1. Academic Quality, Tracy Jenkins (Chair): (No Report)
2. [Budget and Finance, Eric J. Kondratieff \(Chair\): \(Report Posted\)](#)

Motion to include: Kondratieff; motion passes (unanimous)
3. [Colonnade/General Education, Angie Jerome \(Chair\): \(Report Posted\)](#)

Motion to include with minor revision: Jerome; motion passes (unanimous)

Minor revision: "Discussed pausing new Colonnade courses."; ~~the committee decided against that at this time~~

4. Faculty Welfare and Professional Responsibilities, Stephanie Riehn (Chair): (Report Posted)

Motion to include: Riehn; motion passes (unanimous)

5. Graduate Council, Jeremy Logsdon (Chair): (Report posted)

Motion to include: Logsdon; motion passes (unanimous)

6. Graduate Council Curriculum Committee, Whitley Stone (Chair) (Report Posted)

Motion to include: Logsdon; motion passes (unanimous)

7. Undergraduate Curriculum Committee, Shelia Flener (Chair): (Report Posted)

Motion to include: Flener; motion passes (unanimous)

8. Faculty Handbook, Julie Shadoan (Chair): (No Report)

D. Other Committee/Organization Reports:

1. American Association of University Professors (AAUP)
2. Budget Executive Committee (BEC)
3. Coalition of Senate and Faculty Leadership (COSFL)
4. ONE WKU, Molly Kerby (Chair)

E. Old Business:

F. New Business:

1. Eric Reed proposal on compensation

- a. Benchmark Salaries
- b. Salaries at Rank
- c. WKU Salary Data

(Already on Faculty Welfare Agenda)

G. Advisory Member Reports:

1. Faculty Regent, Shane Spiller

Updated on upcoming board meeting agenda. Discussed faculty welfare report and whether we could/should revisit some of the survey items for the annual faculty welfare survey. Potential questions regarding faculty support, understanding of budget, for example. Stephanie will add to faculty welfare agenda to discuss. Angie asked question about trend of money going toward collective vs. athletic department. Shane noted that Todd Stewart has been generous with time speaking to faculty committees and groups.

2. Provost, Robert "Bud" Fischer

C-USA faculty award and TOPS grant calls are out.

Started FY26 budget, axiom just opened.

On BOR agenda: B.S. in User Experience coming out of PCAL, certification in Business Fundamentals, Business Law. RN to BSN is coming back, in response to stakeholder feedback.

SACSCOC – reminder that they will be on campus March 11-March 14.
Opportunities next month to learn about QEP.

3. SGA President, Sam Kurtz

H. Information Item:

1. [Advising Evaluations](#)

a. [Advising Rubric Sample](#)

Something about advising evaluations came through two years ago in Senate, through Academic Quality Committee. Mac will look back and review further.

2. [Know Your Rights](#)

Academic Affairs and Dean of Students currently reviewing this and considering dissemination of any kind.

I. Items for the benefit of the body

J. Motion to adjourn

1st: Jerome / 2nd: Flener; motion passes (unanimous)