**COMMITTEE NAME:** EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE OF THE UNIVERSITY SENATE (ECUS)

**MEETING DATE & TIME:** 28 SEP 2012; 2:00 –3:15

MEETING LOCATION: PARKS ADMINISTRATION BUILDING, ROOM 301

## **ATTENDANCE:**

МЕМ	MEMBERS "P" denotes Present, "A" denotes Absent, "R" denotes Regrets				
P	Janet Clark (CoAS, ECUS Chair Emeritus)	P	Deborah MacMillan (CoHS)		
P	Steve Dorman (University President)	P	Lyndall Muschell (CoE, ECUS Vice-Chair)		
P	Joshua Kitchens (Library)	P	Craig Turner (CoAS, ECUS Secretary)		
R	Matthew Liao-Troth (Interim Provost)	P	P Catherine Whelan (CoB, ECUS Chair)		
GUESTS: Matthew Williams (Graduate Assistant of the 2012-2013 University Senate)					
	Italicized text denotes information from a previous meeting.  *Denotes new discussion on old business.				

AGENDA TOPIC	DISCUSSIONS & CONCLUSIONS	ACTION OR	FOLLOW-UP
		RECOMMENDATIONS	{including dates/responsible person, status (pending, ongoing, completed)}
I. Call to order	The meeting was called to order at 2:03 pm		
	by Catherine Whelan (Chair).		
II. Approval of Agenda	A motion to approve the agenda was made	The agenda was approved as	
	and seconded. Motion Modifications for	amended.	
	2011-2012 was added as an information item		
	and an item entitled Faculty Concerns was		
	added under New Business.		
III. Approval of Minutes	A motion to consider the 7 Sep 2012 ECUS-	The 7 Sep 2012 ECUS-SCC	
	SCC minutes was made and seconded. These	minutes were approved as	
	minutes had been amended while reviewed	presently posted, so no additional	
	via email and had been posted as amended to	action was required.	

	the minutes.gcsu.edu site.		
IV. Reports			
1. President's Report	a) Dr. Dorman indicated that he is continuing his listening tour with		
Steve Dorman	faculty groups, staff groups, and the university and local communities.		
	b) Dr. Dorman indicated that he had attended a new university president orientation in the USG offices earlier in the week and that he will attend a meeting of presidents of USG		
	institutions on Sunday (30 Sep 2012). c) Dr. Dorman indicated that he will be providing the university community news about the budget as he receives it.		
	d) Dr. Dorman indicated that Complete College Georgia participation by the USG makes college completion rates		
	by our students a prominent metric for assessment of institution quality.  e) Dr. Dorman indicated that University Senate will be consulted with regards		
	to planning for the fiscal future of the university.		
2. Provost's Report	As Interim Provost Liao-Troth had extended regrets for this meeting, no Provost's Report.		
Matthew Liao-Troth	The next Provost's Report will be received at the Fri 5 Oct 2012 meeting of the Executive Committee with Standing Committee Chairs.		
3. Subcommittee on Nominations (SCoN)	1. <u>FAPC Vacancy</u> : Lyndall Muschell noted that the vacancy on the Faculty Affairs Policy Committee (FAPC) in the position	FAPC Vacancy: Section     II.1.B of the University     Senate Bylaws requires that	FAPC Vacancy:     Lyndall Muschell and     Catherine Whelan will
Lyndall Muschell	held by David Connolly, who was no longer working at Georgia College, had been filled. As the library was the only	vacancies or resignations that occur during a term of service shall be filled for the	ensure that the SCoN motion text as well as the relevant supporting

- academic unit that did not have a representative on FAPC, Lyndall had asked Josh Kitchens to seek a volunteer from the corps of instruction library faculty. Beth Broyles would shift as a volunteer on the Student Affairs Policy Committee (SAPC) to fill the vacancy as a volunteer on FAPC and Liz Thompson would fill the position on SAPC vacated by Beth Broyles. These modifications maintained compliance with all bylaws requirements on the composition of the university senate committees and were effective with the 28 Sep 2012 committee meetings.
- 2. Apportionment: Lyndall Muschell thanked Craig Turner for preparing the draft apportionment document for committee review. Craig Turner noted that the apportionment was unchanged from the previous year. The committee accepted the draft apportionment report to be the official apportionment of the elected faculty senator positions.
- 3. Contacting Deans: Lyndall Muschell noted that the next step in the elected faculty senator election process for 2012-2013 was for the designated members (to be determined at a future meeting) of the Executive Committee to meet with their respective deans to share information to inform elections of successors for elected faculty senators with terms of service ending in April 2013. Catherine Whelan noted that she could provide the deans a heads up at the academic leadership meeting that each should expect a visit from a member of the Executive

- remainder of that term following the process used in the original election, selection or appointment. This requirement calls for a SCoN motion for consideration by the university senate at its next (19 Oct 2012) meeting detailing the changes in memberships made to the committee composition to fill the vacancy on FAPC.
- 2. Apportionment: Section II.2.A.2 of the University Senate bylaws requires that the exact number of elected faculty senator positions apportioned to each academic unit shall be determined by the Executive Committee and announced to the University Senate by October 1.
- 3. Contacting Deans: The committee agreed that Catherine Whelan should provide the heads up and that Lyndall Muschell and Craig Turner should draft an elected faculty senator election information document.

- documents are entered into the online motion database in time for consideration by the university senate at its 19 Oct 2012 meeting.
- 2. Apportionment:
  Catherine Whelan will ensure that the apportionment is announced to the University Senate by 1 Oct 2012 to comply with the relevant bylaw.
- 3. Contacting Deans:
  - Catherine Whelan will provide the deans a heads up at the next academic leadership meeting that each should expect a visit from a member of the Executive Committee to provide details to inform elected faculty senator elections.
  - Lyndall Muschell and Craig Turner will draft an elected faculty senator election information document.
- 4. Catherine Whelan will place this item on the

	Committee to provide details to inform		agenda of a future
	elected faculty senator elections. Lyndall		ECUS or ECUS-SCC
	Muschell indicated that she and Craig		meeting so that
	Turner would draft a document with		designees can be
	election information for the designated		named to meet with
	ECUS members to share with their deans.		deans armed with the
	Deep memors to share with their deans.		elected faculty senator
			information document.
Governance Retreat	Catherine Whelan circulated a DRAFT report	It was noted that other members	Catherine Whelan will
Planning Committee	for the 2011-2012 Governance Retreat	of the 2011-2012 Governance	send the draft report of
1g =	Planning Committee and invited ECUS	Retreat Planning Committee	to the other members of
Catherine Whelan	members to read the draft over the coming	should be given the opportunity	the retreat planning
	calendar week and offer feedback by email,	to provide feedback on the report.	committee, Dean Baker
	particularly on the recommendations section.	1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1	and Monica Starley,
	She noted in particular that one of the		inviting their feedback.
	recommendations in the report was that the		2. Catherine Whelan will
	2012-2013 governance retreat planning		receive and incorporate
	committee (this group plans the 2013 retreat)		feedback into the draft
	be identified no later than the end of the fall		report.
	2012 semester.		3. Catherine Whelan will
			ensure that the 2012-
			2013 governance retreat
			planning committee is
			formed no later than the
			end of the fall 2012
			semester.
V. Information Items			
Actions/Recommendations			
1. Motion Modifications for	Catherine Whelan noted that Craig Turner	The committee authorized Craig	Catherine Whelan and
2011-2012	had provided her a list of errors in the online	Turner and Catherine Whelan to	Craig Turner will work
	motion database for 2011-2012 motions and	take actions on its behalf to	with relevant university
	that she and Craig had reviewed the list. Two	update the relevant 2011-2012	personnel to update the
	types of errors were present:	motions, as indicated on the list	relevant 2011-2012
	(1) Missing signatures of presiding officer or	circulated to the committee, in	motions in the online
	university president or other irregularities,	the online motion database.	motion database.
	(2) Motion modifications documented within		
	university senate meeting minutes that were		

	not recorded in the online motion database. Craig circulated copies of the list to the members of the committee and Catherine requested that the committee authorize her and Craig to take actions on its behalf to update the relevant 2011-2012 motions in the online motion database.		
Steering Items	Catherine Whelan indicated that she had		
• Public Art	requested committee guidance via email to		
Substantive Change  VI. New Business	steer a couple of policy items to committees in the hopes that the committees could begin their review of the items at their 28 Sep 2012 meetings. The email steering consultation was invited Fr 14 Sep 2012 and concluded on Tu 18 Sep 2012 with the items forwarded to committee chairs on Th 20 Sep 2012. In particular, a Policy on Public Art was steered to the Resources, Planning and Institutional Policy Committee (RPIPC) and a Policy to Address Substantive Change (for SACS compliance) was steered to the Curriculum and Assessment Policy Committee (CAPC).		
Actions/Recommendations			
1. Broadcasting University Senate Meetings	The exploration of feasibility and desirability of making the viewing of a live broadcast of meetings of the University Senate available to the university community and requiring authentication (with the existing CAS ID and password if possible) to view these meetings was proposed for consideration.	There was general agreement that  a) implementation of this broadcasting should be contingent upon approval by the University Senate.  b) more details regarding implementation feasibility were necessary before this proposal would be ready for possible presentation to the University Senate. and that designated members of the Executive	<ol> <li>Catherine Whelan will consult with university television personnel to inform deliberation.</li> <li>Josh Kitchens will consult with IDEAS personnel to inform this deliberation.</li> <li>Catherine Whelan will ensure that this topic is placed on the tentative agenda of the 5 Oct 2012 ECUS-SCC</li> </ol>

2.	Counseling Services Referrals	With the recent move of counseling services from the main campus to west campus, the referral of a student to counseling services by a faculty member is now a drive or shuttle ride rather than a walk. Interest in a satellite	Committee should seek this information c) Standing Committee Chairs should inform the conversation on this matter and be consulted at the 5 Oct 2012 ECUS-SCC meeting.  There was general agreement to await an update on this matter from President Dorman before further considering the steering of this matter to a university senate	1. President Dorman will consult his executive staff to seek resolution of counseling referral concern.
		office on the main campus or other means to facilitate convenience for these referrals is desirable. President Dorman indicated that he would represent this concern to his executive staff and seek a resolution of this matter.	committee.	2. Catherine Whelan will ensure that this topic is placed on the tentative agenda of of a future ECUS or ECUS-SCC meeting.
3.	Policies Procedures and Practices Manual (PPPM)	Catherine Whelan indicated that she would be meeting with Mike Digby to further talk about the PPPM and would have more information to share after that meeting.		Catherine Whelan will ensure that this topic is placed on the tentative agenda of a future ECUS or ECUS-SCC meeting.
4.	Emergencies and Communication Channels in Classrooms	A proposal to explore the feasibility of having communication channels available in classrooms was made. Such channels might facilitate contact of information technology assistance for projection systems or contact of public safety in an emergency. Josh Kitchens noted that the Student Technology Fee Committee was considering an intercom system for classrooms in consultation with Chief Information Officer Bob Orr. Other channel options were proposed including Voice Over Internet Protocol (VOIP) or telephones. President Dorman indicated that exploration of the feasibility of VOIP as a	There was general agreement to seek additional information on this matter including existing best practices.	<ol> <li>President Dorman to provide updates on the possible use and feasibility of VOIP.</li> <li>Catherine Whelan will gather information to inform deliberation.</li> <li>Catherine Whelan will ensure that this topic is on the tentative agenda of a future ECUS or ECUS-SCC meeting.</li> </ol>

5	Faculty Development	possible replacement for existing phone service as a cost-saving measure was in progress. Catherine Whelan agreed to seek more information on this concern for the next meeting.  Students with disabilities are increasingly	There was general agreement to	1.	Catherine Whelan will
3.	opportunities to assist faculty in working with Students with Disabilities	common. Faculty training opportunities for dealing with the variety of disabilities, such as high functioning autism and Asperger's, is desirable. This may be particularly relevant if the disability could be disruptive to the classroom learning of other students.	seek additional information on this matter including existing best practices.	2.	gather information to inform deliberation. Catherine Whelan will ensure that this topic is on the tentative agenda of a future ECUS or ECUS-SCC meeting
6.	University System of Georgia Faculty Council (USGFC) Representative	Given that this matter was extending the meeting beyond the usual adjournment time, there was agreement the conversation would be brief. The current selection process of the USGFC representative was determined by Motion 1011.EC.001.R to be the selection of the Presiding Officer Elect of the University Senate. Concerns from the recent two representatives, Jan Clark and Catherine Whelan, were that a term of service of a single year may be too brief a time to participate meaningfully on the USGFC. Consideration of both a longer term of service than a single year as well as the addition of the nomination of one or more candidates for the USGFC Representative position to the work of the Subcommittee on Nominations were proposed for further consideration. Craig Turner who served as Co-Chair of the USGFC both prior to and during the terms of Catherine Whelan and Jan Clark was charged to prepare a summary document providing the relevant details for this USGFC Representative position.	There was general agreement that Standing Committee Chairs should inform the conversation on this matter and be consulted at the 5 Oct 2012 ECUS-SCC meeting.	2.	Craig Turner will prepare a summary document on this matter to inform the deliberation.

7. University Senate Agenda	a) Based on the committee reports given	a) Catherine Whelan
and Minutes Review	earlier in the meeting, there will be	will draft the
	only one motion (namely committee	tentative agenda of
	replacements) on the agenda of the	the 21 Sep 2012
	21 Sep 2012 meeting of the University	meeting of the
	Senate. In addition, committee	University Senate.
	reports and a PPPM report from	b) Craig Turner will
	Mike Digby will be agenda items.	distribute to the
	Given the light agenda, Catherine	university senators
	Whelan sought and received support	the draft university
	to invite Directors and Deans to	senate minutes for
	attend the 21 Sep 2012 university	the 20 Apr 2012
	senate meeting. The intent is to assist	and 27 Apr 2012
	in the face to names association of	providing the
	these individuals by members of the	university senators
	University Senate.	an opportunity to
	b) Drafts of the university senate	review these
	minutes for the 20 Apr 2012 and 27	minutes.
	Apr 2012 meetings were circulated to	minutes:
	the attendees prior to the meeting.	28 Sep 2012:
	The draft minutes were approved as	a) Catherine Whelan
	circulated for distribution to the	did draft the
	university senators for review.	tentative agenda of
	university senators for review.	the 21 Sep 2012
		meeting of the
		University Senate.
		b) Craig Turner did
		circulate the 20
		Apr 2012 and 27
		Apr 2012 and 27 Apr 2012 minutes
		for review by the
		relevant university
		senators.
VII. Unfinished Business		Schators.
Review of Action &		
Recommendations, Provide		
updates (if any) to Follow-up		
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1. Health Care Network	24 Aug 2012:	24 Aug 2012:	<u>24 Aug 2012</u> :	
	It was noted that the recent transition to a	There was agreement that this	Catherine Whelan to add	
	new health care providers network has	matter should be brought to the	this to 7 Sep 2012 agenda	
	resulted in a smaller pool of in-network	attention of President Dorman		
	heath care providers for GC employees.	and revisited at the 7 Sep 2012	<u> 7 Sep 2012</u> :	
	Question: Who should take action and what	ECUS/SCC meeting. This would	a) Catherine Whelan	
	action might be taken to affect change and	facilitate the timely steering of	did add this to the	
	enlarge the pool of in-network providers?	this matter to a senate committee	7 Sep 2012	
	One opinion was that the USG Presidents	in the event that action by the	agenda, however	
	might be the most effective ambassadors for	University Senate be deemed	the consideration	
	this concern.	necessary or desirable.	of this item was	
			postponed to a	
	28 Sep 2012:		future meeting.	
	As Dr. Dorman's service as University		b) Catherine Whelan	
	President had begun 1 Sep 2012, he had not		to ensure this item	
	been present at the 24 Aug 2012 ECUS		is added to the	
	meeting. The aforementioned concern was		agenda of a future	
	rearticulated at this meeting and President		ECUS meeting.	
	Dorman agreed to represent this concern with			
	relevant individuals in consultation with		28 Sep 2012:	
	USG staff indicating that he has heard this		a) Catherine Whelan	
	concern expressed a number of times by		did add this item to	
	faculty and staff in the context of his		the 28 Sep 2012	
	listening tour. In particular, President		ECUS agenda.	
	Dorman mentioned the July 2012 hire of		b) President Dorman	
	Marion Fedrick as USG Vice Chancellor for		will represent this	
	Human Resources, noting that he planned to		concern in	
	consult with her on this matter.		consultation with	
			USG staff.	
2. Operating Procedures for	<u>24 Aug 2012</u> :	<u>24 Aug 2012</u> :	<u>24 Aug 2012</u> :	
the 2012-2013 ECUS	The committee acknowledged the bylaws	The committee recommended that	Catherine Whelan to draft	
	requirement to draft and adopt operating	Catherine Whelan (as Chair)	and circulate operating	
	procedures.	draft and circulate operating	procedures for committee	
		procedures for committee review.	review.	
	28 Sep 2012:			
	Catherine Whelan had circulated the ECUS	<u>28 Sep 2012</u> :	<u>7 Sep 2012</u> :	
	operating procedures for committee review	The committee approved the draft	a) Catherine Whelan	
	along with the aforementioned steering items	operating procedures, circulated	did draft and	

	(public art and substantive change policies).	as a supporting document for this	circulate proposed
	This email invitation for review was invited Fr 14 Sep 2012 and concluded on Tu 18 Sep	meeting, as the official operating procedures of the 2012-2013	ECUS operating procedures for
	2012. The revisions offered via the email	Executive Committee.	committee review
	consultation had been incorporated into the	L'accurve Commutee.	prior to the 7 Sep
	draft circulated as a supporting document for		2012 ECUS/SCC
	this meeting.		meeting.
	1111		b) The consideration
			of this item was
			placed on the 7 Sep
			2012 agenda and
			its consideration
			was postponed to a
			future meeting.
			c) Catherine Whelan
			to ensure this item
			is added to the
			agenda of a future ECUS meeting.
			LCOS meeting.
			28 Sep 2012:
			a) Catherine Whelan
			did add this item to
			the agenda of the
			28 Sep 2012 ECUS
			meeting.
3. The electronic presence of		24 Aug 2012:	24 Aug 2012:
the University Senate	Craig Turner indicated that the developer of	Craig Turner was charged to	Craig Turner will draft a
• Online motion	the University Senate web presence, Jay Lancaster, has accepted another job yet is	develop a draft of the detailed	detailed flow chart for ECUS review.
database recoding	still continuing to work at Georgia College	flow chart for ECUS review, after which the draft/review cycle will	ECOS review.
	while his successor is being identified. The	become an iterative process.	7 Sep 2012:
	new senate site (senate.gcsu.edu) is currently	become an incranive process.	This item was not included
	realized as a hybrid of PHP and Drupal 6	28 Sep 2012:	on the 7 Sep 2012 agenda
	components. There is a plan to recode the	The committee accepted the draft	and thus will be taken up
	components using only Drupal 7. Jay	flow chart for the online motion	at a future ECUS meeting.
	Lancaster is requesting a comprehensive	database and agreed to defer its	
	flowchart to guide the recoding of the online	review and further consideration	<u>28 Sep 2012</u> :

	motion database. It was also noted that the agenda tool seems to be browser sensitive and that presently Firefox seems to be the most compatible. Some members of the committee expressed the opinion that the old site (often referenced as the "Green Page" due to its green background) should become more seamless with the new site.  28 Sep 2012: Craig Turner distributed a copy of the draft of the detailed flow chart for the online motion database that he had prepared in consultation with Catherine Whelan and Ken Farr. Catherine Whelan indicated that there were two versions of the flow chart: the typed one was the draft that had been used to inform the programming of the current version of the online motion database while the handwritten flow chart was the current draft of the one Craig Turner had supplied. Craig added that he had consulted with Wesley Smith regarding the recoding of the online motion database and that Wesley had indicated the recoding was not a certainty. Craig recommended to the committee that further consideration of the draft flow chart be postponed until the time that it is known	of the flow chart until the time that it is known that the recoding of the online motion database will in fact occur.	Craig Turner did draft, in consultation with Ken Farr and Catherine Whelan, a detailed flow chart for ECUS review.
	that the recoding of the online motion database will in fact occur.		
4. Governance Retreat Report	24 Aug 2012 as information item: Participant feedback will be an agenda item for the 7 Sep 2012 ECUS/SCC meeting.		24 Aug 2012: Catherine Whelan will add this to 7 Sep 2012 agenda.
			7 Sep 2012:  a) Catherine Whelan did add this to the 7 Sep 2012

VIII. Next Meeting			agenda, however the consideration of this item was postponed to a future meeting. b) Catherine Whelan to ensure this item is added to the agenda of a future ECUS meeting.
(Tentative Agenda, Calendar)			
1. Calendar	5 Oct 2012 @ 2pm: ECUS/SCC Parks 301		
1. Culciluui	19 Oct 2012 @ 2pm: Univ. Senate A&S 2-72		
	26 Oct 2012 @ 2pm: ECUS Parks 301		
2. Tentative Agenda	Some of the deliberation today generated tentative agenda items for future ECUS and ECUS-SCC meetings.		Catherine Whelan will ensure that such items are added to agendas of the appropriate ECUS and/or ECUS-SCC meetings.
IX. Adjournment	A motion to extend the meeting to consider	The motion to adjourn was	
	the topic of the USGFC Representative was	approved and the meeting	
	made, seconded and approved. Following	adjourned at 3:27 pm.	
	consideration of this topic, a motion to		
	adjourn was made and seconded.		

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Committee Ch	airperson (Including this Approval by chair at committee discretion

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COMMITTEE OFFICERS: CATHERINE WHELAN (CHAIR), LYNDALL MUSCHELL (VICE-CHAIR) CRAIG TURNER (SECRETARY)

**ACADEMIC YEAR: 2011-2012** 

## AGGREGATE MEMBER ATTENDANCE AT COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR THE ACADEMIC YEAR: "P" denotes Present, "A" denotes Absent, "R" denotes Regrets, "N/A" denotes Not Applicable (not on committee)

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Janet Clark EFS; CoAS; ECUS Chair Emeritus	P	P					
Steve Dorman University President	N/A	P					
Paul Jones Interim University President	R	N/A					
Joshua Kitchens EFS; Library	P	P					
Matthew Liao-Troth Interim Provost	P	R					
Deborah MacMillan EFS; CoHS	P	P					
Lyndall Muschell EFS; CoE; ECUS Vice-Chair	P	P					
Craig Turner EFS; CoAS; ECUS Secretary	P	P					
Catherine Whelan EFS; CoB; ECUS Chair	R	P					

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EFS; CoHS	P								
Lyndall Muschell									
EFS; CoE; ECUS Vice-Chair	P								
Craig Turner									
EFS; CoAS; ECUS Secretary	P								
Catherine Whelan	D								
EFS; CoB; ECUS Chair	P								
Bryan Marshall	D								
EFS; CoB; APC Chair	R								
Susan Steele	Р								
EFS; CoHS; CAPC Chair	Г								
Leslie Moore	Р								
EFS; CoHS; FAPC Chair	1								
Maureen Horgan  EFS; CoAS, RPIPC Chair	P								
Dianne Chamblee	_								
EFS; CoHS, SAPC Chair	P								
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