**University Senate Committee Annual Report**

**Due Date: Submit in MSWord or pdf format to** **senate@gcsu.edu**

**with a preferred due date of Wed 27 Apr 2016 and due absolutely no later than noon on Fri 29 Apr 2016.**

*Note: This report should represent consensus of the entire committee and serve as a historical record of committee deliberations over the academic year.*

**Committee Name: Subcommittee on Nominations**

**Academic Year: 2015-16**

**Committee Charge:**

[**V.Section1.D. The Subcommittee on Nominations.**](http://us.gcsu.edu/Bylaws_Revised/USBylaws_2015-02-13.docx)

V.Section1.D.2. *Duties*. The duties of the Subcommittee on Nominations shall include the following.

V.Section1.D.2.a. *Executive Committee*. The Subcommittee shall nominate candidates to serve on the Executive Committee of the University Senate for approval by the membership of the University Senate in compliance with V.Section1.A.

V.Section1.D.2.b. *Standing Committees*. The Subcommittee shall nominate candidates to serve on the Standing Committees of the University Senate for approval by the membership of the University Senate in compliance with III.Section2, IV.Section4, V.Section2.A.2, V.Section2.A.4, and V.Section2.C.

V.Section1.D.2.c. *Subcommittees*. The Subcommittee shall nominate candidates to serve on any permanent subcommittees of the University Senate, with the exception of the Subcommittee on Nominations, for approval by the membership of the University Senate in compliance with III.Section2, V.Section2.A.3.a and V.Section2.A.4.

V.Section1.D.2.d. *Officers*. The Subcommittee shall nominate candidates to serve as the officers of the University Senate, specifically the Presiding Officer, the Presiding Officer Elect, and the Secretary, for approval by the membership of the University Senate in compliance with II.Section4.A and II.Section4.B.

V.Section1.D.2.e. *Compliance Report*. The Subcommittee shall prepare a report that demonstrates that the composition of all committees complies with the requirements of these bylaws. Such a report shall be submitted to the Executive Committee when the initial committee recommendations are made and any time that changes are proposed to committee membership.

**Committee Calendar:**

There was only one physical meeting of the Subcommittee on Nominations (a segment of the 1 Apr 2016 ECUS with Standing Committee Chair meeting). All business that required the committee to come to a consensus was typically conducted via electronic communication.

**Executive Summary**:

As in previous years, the Subcommittee on Nominations oversaw the orderly replacement of senators and committee members over the course of the senate term, prepared a slate of nominees to serve on the various committees and subcommittees for the following year, and prepared a slate of nominees for the officer positions Presiding Officer Elect and Secretary of the University Senate.

**Committee Membership** **and Record of Attendance:**

Officers: Chair: Chavonda Mills; Secretary: Craig Turner

Membership:

**ECUS**

Jolene Cole

Craig Turner

John Swinton

Kelli Brown

Lyndall Muschell

Steve Dorman

**Committee Chairs**

Donovan Domingue (APC)

Angel Abney (CAPC)

Barbara Roquemore (FAPC)

Jan Clark (RPIPC)

David Johnson (SAPC)

Mary Magoulick (SoCC)

**SGA**

Juawn Jackson

**Staff Council**

Daniel McDonald

Susan Steele

Chavonda Mills

Attendance: There was only one physical meeting (as a segment of the1 Apr 2016 ECUS with Standing Committee Chairs meeting). All members were counted as present during electronic communications.

**Motions brought to the Senate floor:**

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| **Motion Number** | **Motion Text** |
| 1516.CN.001.O | To adopt the slate of nominees for the 2015-2016 University Senate officers and committee members as proposed in the supporting documentation. |
| 1516.CN.002.O | To adopt the revised slate of nominees for the 2015-2016 University Senate officers and committee members as proposed in the supporting documentation. |
| 1516.CN.003.O | To adopt the slate of nominees for the 2016-2017 University Senate officers and committee members as proposed in the supporting documentation. |

**Other Significant Deliberation (Non-Motions):**

**Elected Faculty Senators**-The committee discussed revisiting university senate membership requirements, specifically increasing the number of elected faculty senators. The reason for reconsideration stems from the observation that in order to meet standing committee composition requirements at least one EFS had to serve on two standing committees. This is in part due the SoCC committee composition requirement of three EFS, which was not in place when the current committee structure was adopted and first implemented in 2007-2008.

**Standing Committee Composition**-The committee discussed reviewing standing committee attendance records and minutes to note if there is a consistently useful voice in committee deliberations. For example, the CIO’s input on RPIPC deliberations. If so, addition of an appointee or designee of the unit to the standing committee should be considered.

**Ad hoc committees and other groups:**

None

**Committee Reflections:**

The slate of nominees spreadsheet (with built-in counters to facilitate verifying many of the university senate bylaws requirements) created by Dr. Craig Turner proved very useful when creating the slate of nominees and it is strongly advised that SCoN continue to use and refine this spreadsheet to prepare the slate.

**Committee Recommendations:**

It is recommended that the committee works closely with the staff council chair to ensure that staff senators and appointees are named in a timely manner and prior to the organizational senate meeting for the upcoming year.

**Recommend items for consideration at the governance retreat:**

* Review university senate membership and consider increasing the number of elected faculty senators or decreasing the EFS requirement on one or more committees: APC, CAPC, FAPC, RPIPC, SAPC SoCC.
* Review committee compositions and consider additional appointees or designees to the committee. For example, a CIO appointee to RPIPC might be desirable to provide a technology perspective to all RPIPC deliberation.