

Executive Committee report for the April 2017 University Council meeting
Report presented by Janet Frick, Chair
April 26, 2017

President Morehead, Council Colleagues and Guests:

The Executive Committee of University Council met on April 12, 2017 in the Peabody Boardroom of the Administration Building. A quorum being present, Chair Janet Frick called the meeting to order at 3:30 p.m, and the minutes of our last meeting were approved.

1. We began the meeting by electing our new chair-elect of Executive Committee. This position requires at least one previous year of service on the committee. Andy Oswiak from SPIA was elected. Scott Pegan from Pharmacy will serve as chair of executive in 2017-2018, and Andy will take over in 2018-2019.
2. Next, we voted to approve the slate of nominees to fill vacancies on PRAC.
3. All of our new agenda items came from the Curriculum committee, and they were all approved following careful examination and some discussion on some of the items. They will be presented in Council today.
4. We noted that there were two important agenda items from the March meeting that were not able to be discussed because we lost quorum after the long calendar discussion. Even though they will be presented under "Old Business" today, it is important that we stay and give them careful consideration because, particularly in the case of the one from Faculty Affairs, it represents hard work of the committee over the course of this entire year, and concerns a topic of great relevance to all tenure-stream faculty, the guidelines for promotion and tenure.
5. Finally, Chair-Elect Scott Pegan presented several topics of discussion that had come up at the spring meeting of the USG Faculty Council, which is a meeting of representatives from all the USG system schools. Scott's notes from this meeting are available as an attachment inside the April 2017 exec committee minutes, and he is happy to discuss any of the topics further.

There being no further topics, I closed the meeting by expressing appreciation for the hard work of all members of the exec committee, for their careful attention to detail, their courage to ask good questions, and their willingness to devote time and energy to making UGA a better institution for all of our students, staff, and faculty. It has been an honor to serve as exec committee chair, and to have a first-hand look at so many facets of our amazing, complex institution. It is truly inspiring to see all of the brilliant work that takes place here, inside and outside the classroom, 7 days a week, 52 weeks a year, in Athens, across Georgia, and around the globe.

The meeting adjourned at 4:04 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

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