

Executive Committee Meeting Minutes for the March 2018 meeting
Report written by Scott Pegan, Chair
Report presented by Scott Pegan, Chair
March 7, 2018

President Morehead, Council Colleagues and Guests:

The Executive Committee of the University Council met on March 7, 2018 in the Peabody Boardroom of the Administration Building. A quorum being present, Chair Scott Pegan called the meeting to order at 3:30 p.m.

The meeting was opened with a thank you for committee members continuing efforts and approval of the November meetings minutes. The committee then consider the action items placed before it from the standing committees. Of the two (2) proposals from the Statues, Bylaws, and Committees Committee, both were heard and placed on the council's agenda. The first pertained to two amendments to the Bylaws. One of these amendments defined that those elected to University Council had to be "full-time" faculty, while the other added a charge to the Educational Affairs Committee related to the academic calendar. Discussion revolved around the numbers of part-time faculty at UGA as well as how the new charge of EAC would be implemented. The second proposal related to increasing non-tenure track (NTT) representation on of all of the council's committees except for the Post-Tenure Review Appeals Committee and the Promotion & Tenure Appeals Committee. Discussion revolved mostly around the composition of the Faculty Affairs Committee, particularly the appointment of NTT from Vice President Units.

Of the twelve (12) proposals brought forth from the University Curriculum Committee, we heard twelve (12) and all of those heard were approved. Only the proposal pertaining to the Agricultural Data Science drew substantive discussion in order to clarify how it would fit among offerings from Computer Science and other units. One (1) proposal from the Educational Affairs Committee was heard pertaining to an amendment revising the Final Examination Scheduling Conflicts policy. Principal concerns revolved around the practicality of a deadline tied to the withdrawal deadline and issues related to those that had simultaneous finals. The proposal was returned to Educational Affairs Committee in order to further explore these concerns. Beyond the proposals from the standing committees and no Old Business, the Educational Affairs Committee Chair brought forth the 2019-2020 academic calendar under New Business as an informational item. With no further items, the meeting was adjourned at 4:55 pm.