

University Council Faculty Affairs Committee, 2025-2026

Chair, Elizabeth A. St.Pierre

Agenda

FAC ZOOM Meeting on Friday, January 23, 2026 at 2:00 pm

<https://zoom.us/j/98190052632>

1. Chair's Report
 - a. Welcome & Update. The University Council approved the FAC proposal to revise the *Guidelines for the Appointment, Promotion, and Tenure of Academic Rank Faculty* on December 19, 2025. With 199 Council members voting, 185 voted Yes and 14 voted No. President Morehead approved the proposal on December 5, 2026. The new *Guidelines* are now available on the Provost's website.
 - b. Minutes. According to Robert's Rules 48.1, "the minutes should contain mainly a record of what was *done* at the meeting, not what was *said* by members." According to the Georgia Open Meetings Act, our minutes must include a statement of each motion made, who made the motion, who seconded the motion, and the total number of YES and NO votes. To abstain is to not vote, so abstentions are neither called for nor recorded.
2. Action Items
 - a. Proposal to revise the "Contributions to Teaching" section of the *Guidelines for the Appointment, Promotion, and Tenure of Academic Rank Faculty*. Dr. Erin Dolan chaired an FAC subcommittee in 2024 when Dr. Brock Woodson chaired FAC, and that committee recommended revisions to that section to align the *Guidelines* with [Academic Affairs Policy Statement 01.06.005, Improvement and Documentation of Teaching Effectiveness](#). The 2024-2025 FAC voted to approve the proposal 18 Yes and 0 No. I would like our committee's permission to forward this proposal to the Executive Committee now for its consideration. *If anyone has concerns about doing so, please let me know.*
 - b. Proposal to revise the *UGA Guidelines for the Appointment and Promotion of Lecturers*. Presented by Dr. Melissa Landers-Potts (Lecturer representative on the FAC) and Associate Provost Elizabeth Weeks (UGA Office of Faculty Affairs). This proposal clarifies and updates the Lecturer *Guidelines*. See Dr. Landers-Potts' and Associate Provost Weeks' comments throughout the document regarding the rationale for revisions.
3. Old Business
4. New Business
5. Adjourn