

# RUTGERS UNIVERSITY SENATE

## MEETING AGENDA

Friday, Oct. 20, 2023, 1:10 p.m. via Zoom

<https://rutgers.zoom.us/j/94226017684?pwd=RTJYUzFDbWp4M3dqSGRnVnNCV1Rwdz09>

**CALL TO ORDER, DETERMINATION OF A QUORUM, AND CHAIR'S REPORT** – Adrienne Simonds, Chair

**REPORT OF THE SECRETARY** – Vicki Hewitt, Senate Executive Secretary

- Approval of the Agenda\* (including time limits)
- Approval of the [September 22, 2023 Meeting Minutes](#)
- Policy Updates
  - [University Policy 50.1.13 Policy on Policies](#)
- Communications
  - Executive Committee Vacancy: Student Representative, RBHS
  - Reminder to log in to the Senate website for attendance and voting access.

**ADMINISTRATIVE REPORT** – Prabhas Moghe, Executive Vice President, Academic Affairs

**CAMDEN CHANCELLOR REPORT** – Antonio Tillis, Chancellor, Rutgers University-Camden

**[DISCOVERY ADVANTAGE PRELIMINARY REPORT](#) AND [DISCOVERY ADVANTAGE SYNOPSIS REPORT](#)** – Kathleen Scott, Discovery Advantage Chair

**OLD BUSINESS**

INTRODUCTION OF, AND COMMENTS BY, STANDING COMMITTEE CHAIRS

RESOLUTION TO RE-INSTAATE A STANDING COMMITTEE ON EQUITY, DIVERSITY, AND INCLUSION  
– Submitted by Senator Ronald Quincy, School of Graduate Studies, Faculty

Whereas Rutgers The State University of New Jersey, as a member of the BIG TEN Academic Alliance; and whereas 12 of the current 14-member institutions have standing committees on Diversity, Inclusion, Equity; or similar designations;

And whereas the four institutions that are joining the BIG TEN in 2024 (University of California Los Angeles/UCLA; University of Southern California/USC; University of Washington; and University of Oregon; all have such standing committees on DEI;

And whereas, Rutgers The State University of New Jersey is only one of two of the current 14 (and 2024 18)BIG TEN member institutions that does not currently have a full standing DEI committee of the University Senate;

And whereas Rutgers in the past decades had a standing DEI Committee, but disbanded it, and decentralized the DEI functions;

And whereas the landscape related to DEI in the United States, In New Jersey, and within the Rutgers University community, is ever evolving;

And whereas there is a fundamental imperative to have a committee, diversely representative of the university community, to have a keen focus, commitment, and understanding of the opportunities and challenges impacting Rutgers University --to fully advance each of the Rutgers core philosophical pillars—which include Equity & Diversity;

Therefore, be it resolved that the Rutgers University Senate, during the first meeting of the Senate for academic year 2023-2024, deliberate to re-instate a full standing committee on Diversity, Equity, Inclusion, and Belonging (or a more appropriate alternative title that best describes the charge for this committee).

COMMITTEE REPORTS/RESOLUTIONS: The report will be presented/summarized by the committee chair, then will be discussed, and acted upon by the Senate. Substantive amendments to these reports should be given to the Senate secretary in writing prior to or at the time the amendment is moved.

Budget and Finance Committee

Report on [S-2307 RCM Detailed Recommendations](#)

Abdelrahman Ibrahim and Carlyne White, Co-Chairs

The BFC was charged as follows:

*Examine and propose detailed recommendations for implementing two central elements of the 1/20/2023 Senate-approved resolution on S2010-1: “transparency” and “shared governance” in University budget preparation and reporting.*

**NEW BUSINESS\*\***

**SENATE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE REPORT** – Lucille Foster, Senate Vice Chair

## REPORTS OF THE REPRESENTATIVES TO BOARDS OF GOVERNORS AND TRUSTEES

## REPORTS OF CAMPUS FACULTY AND STUDENT LIAISONS

## ADJOURNMENT

\*Note: Addition of items to the Agenda requires a two-thirds vote ([Senate Handbook](#), Article III, Agenda). There is an overall time limit of 3 hours for Senate meetings. Specific time limits are set for questions and debate, not for presentation of reports ([Senate Handbook](#), Article III, Procedures). After approval, extension of time limits requires a two-thirds vote.

\*\*Note: The [Senate Handbook](#), Article IV, 1 states, “All new matters shall be referred to committee before coming to the Senate (unless extenuating circumstances apply, as indicated in Article III, Agenda, 3 above).”]

### Remaining 2023-24 University Senate Meetings

All meetings are on Zoom

November 17, 2023

December 8, 2023

January 19, 2024

February 16, 2024

March 22, 2024

April 26, 2024 – Organizational Meeting of the 2024-2025 Senate

April 26, 2024 – Last Meeting of the 2023-2024 Senate