

**RUTGERS UNIVERSITY SENATE  
EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE  
MEETING AGENDA  
Friday, February 2, 2024, 12:00 p.m. via Zoom**

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**Chair's Report**– Adrienne Simonds, Senate Chair

**Secretary's Report**– Vicki Hewitt, Senate Executive Secretary

- Approval of Agenda
- Approval of the [January 5, 2024 Senate Executive Committee Minutes](#)
- Communications
  - Chancellor Strom will attend March 1 Executive Committee meeting
  - Senate email list is active.
  - [Rutgers Executive Committee Agenda Item Submission Form](#)

**Administrative Report** – Prabhas Moghe, Executive Vice President for Academic Affairs

**Discussion** – Nancy Cantor, Newark Chancellor

[Resolution in Support of Free Speech on Campus](#) – Submitted by Senator Fauzan Amjad, Student Charter Trustee

**Nominating Panel**

**Protocols for Senate Email List**

**Request to Reopen and Report on S-2209-1: Implementing Democratic Standards for University Senate Committee Governance**

**Interim Senate Representatives for the Policy Approval Committee**

**Standing Committees/Panels**

**Committee Report and Recommendations:**

**Ad Hoc Committee on Senate Officer Compensation – Michael Joseph and Suja Patel, Co-Chairs**

[Report on S-2312: Senate Officer Compensation](#)

The ad hoc committee was charged as follows:

*To provide guidelines for appropriate compensation for Senate officers and other Senators whose duties as Senators represent a significant fraction of their university obligations. The resources for such compensation should be provided in a manner that does not create conflicts of interest. Procedures for such compensation already in place at some of our peer aspirant universities may serve as useful models.*

**Committee Report and Recommendations:**

**Faculty and Personnel Affairs Committee – Paul Boxer and Anna Haley, Co-Chairs**

[Report on S-2103-1: Review of the Current Procedures for the Periodic Evaluation of Deans](#)

The FPAC was charged as follows:

*Review the current procedures for the periodic evaluation of deans.*

**Committee Report and Recommendations:**

**Faculty and Personnel Affairs Committee – Paul Boxer and Anna Haley, Co-Chairs**

[Report on S-2117-1: Hiring Transparency and Equality](#)

The FPAC was charged as follows:

*Investigate the current practice of hiring faculty at RBHS with full titles but described on appointment as part time and contingent on their maintaining employment at RWJBH. Make any appropriate recommendations.*

**Committee Report and Recommendations:**

**Faculty and Personnel Affairs Committee – Paul Boxer and Anna Haley, Co-Chairs**

[Report on S-2315: University Vision Benefits](#)

The FPAC was charged as follows:

*Investigate the policies which currently govern the University's practice of reimbursing employees for eye exams, glasses and contact lenses, frames, and coatings. Determine if current policies match industry practices. Investigate how many employees actually receive reimbursements, and explore possible recommendations for new policies, plans, or programs related to vision and eye care for Rutgers employees.*

**Committee Report and Recommendations:**

**Budget and Finance Committee – Abdelrahman Ibrahim and Carolyne White, Co-Chairs**

[Report on S-2302: Budgetary Considerations Underlying Potential Merger of the RBHS Subunits Robert Wood Johnson Medical School and New Jersey Medical School into One Medical School](#)

The BFC was charged as follows:

*Investigate any relevant financial issues that will emerge if there is a proposed merger of RWJMS and NJMS. Make necessary recommendations to the Senate.*

**Proposed Charge:**

**Senate Role in the Policy on Policies Processes and Procedures** – Senator Audrey Truschke, School of Arts and Sciences - Newark, Faculty

**Charge:** *Study and provide recommendation to increase University Senate's role on the Policy on Policies in the matters related academic affairs, educational and research matters.*

**Rationale:** The Board of Governors proposed a major set of changes to the Policy on Policies a few months ago. Since, the University Structure and Governance Committee has devoted much of its time to considering the implications of those changes, especially concerning allegations of a diminished role for the Senate moving forward in overseeing research-related policies. There has been considerable interest and disagreement in this matter on this committee. We need a formal change in order to further pursue this and bring the matter to the attention of the full Senate. Establishing this charge is supported by members of the University Structure and Governance Committee who have diverse views on this matter, including both of our chairs.

**Proposed Charge:**

**Review Senate's role in Policy on Policies and provide recommendations to UEC** – Senator Kerry Hennessy, New Brunswick Staff

**Charge:** *Study and provide recommendations to increase University Senate's role on the Policy on Policies in the matters related to academic affairs, educational and research matters.*

**Rationale:** We have already been discussing and would like to formalize the process.

**Open Charge Request:**

The following was charged to an ad hoc committee without a deadline. The Executive Committee is requested to set a deadline for:

S-2327: Develop Nomination Procedures for a Senate Representative for the Policy Approval Committee

**Open Charge Request:**

The following was charged to an ad hoc committee without a deadline. The Executive Committee is requested to set a deadline for:

S-2328: Propose Changes to the Senate Handbook to Add the Equity, Diversity, and Inclusion Committee

**Old Business**

None.

## **New Business**

### **University Senate February 16, 2024 Agenda**

- President Holloway's Report on University Finances
- New Brunswick Chancellor Report – Francine Conway, Chancellor, Rutgers-New Brunswick

## **Adjournment**