

**RUTGERS UNIVERSITY SENATE
EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE
MEETING AGENDA
Friday, April 10, 2026, 12:00 p.m. via Zoom**

<https://rutgers.zoom.us/j/97443796307?pwd=p8nvK4aBZunRjePbYU0fNfhDn5qIDj.1>

Chair's Report– Lucille Foster, Senate Chair

Secretary's Report– Taryn Cooper, Executive Secretary

- Approval of Agenda
- Approval of the [March 6, 2026 Senate Executive Committee Minutes](#)
- Policy Updates:
 - [10.3.5 Military Leave, Academic Credit and Tuition Refunds-Undergraduate and Graduate Students](#)- Updated on interim basis.
- Communications
 - Senate Social postponed to Friday May 1, 2026 from 12:00 – 2:00 p.m. due to weather.
 - [Call for Nominations for 2026-2027 Senate Elections](#) – due Fri. April 17.

Discussion- Chancellor Francine Conway, Rutgers New Brunswick (12:20 – 12:50 p.m.)

[Camden Chancellor Search Committee Representatives](#) (12:50 – 12:55 p.m.)

Update from Camden-Senator David Salas de la Cruz (12:55 – 1:05 p.m.)

Grant Funding Requirements & Tenure- Vice Chair Wendy Purcell (1:05 – 1:10 p.m.)

Update on Development of Draft Letter in Response to President Tate (1:10 – 1:30 p.m.)

Senate Website Follow Up – Executive Secretary (1:30 – 1:40 p.m.)

Standing Committees/Panels

Committee Report and Recommendations (1:40 – 1:50 p.m.)

Faculty and Personnel Affairs – Christine Morales, Sara Campbell (co-chairs)

[S-2317: Prevalence, Procedures, and Challenges of Faculty Occupancy of Dual Leadership Roles](#)

FPAC was charged as follows:

FPAC is charged with investigating and making recommendations it deems necessary on the following two issues: How common are dual full-time faculty leadership role situations at Rutgers, and what are the rationales under which such dual roles are undertaken? What is the process by which such dual role leadership situations are undertaken, regarding (but not necessarily limited to): the potentially unfilled portion of FTE in one or both positions; the identification and selection of other individuals to supplement one or both of the dual roles, including how existing procedures for filling such positions are or are not followed (e.g., is one or both role in such situations reverted to being appointed rather than competitively hired in any circumstances); the clarification of the work tasks required for each of the leadership roles held, and evaluation of performance in those roles, given that they are engaged at less than 100% FTE; assurance that potential conflict of interest is identified and pre-empted or managed? Note: This charge focuses on faculty specifically, excludes roles fulfilled through funding buy-outs and/or by involving summer work for those on 9-month contracts, and also omits focus on within-unit dual leadership roles unless each role historically constitutes 100% FTE (e.g., a department chair assuming the chairship of a second department within a school or college).

Proposed Charge (1:50 – 2:00 p.m.)

Air Conditioning and Heating- Senator Antonio Pichardo, Student-New Brunswick

Charge: Evaluate Rutgers University’s current heating and air conditioning policies across academic buildings and residential facilities. Investigate seasonal transition practices and current temperature conditions across campuses, gather input from students and faculty, assess whether there are existing reporting and response systems, compare these with how other universities approach their practices, and recommend policy or operational changes to improve temperature consistency and overall campus comfort.

Rationale: The Senate should research and make recommendations on this topic primarily because of the unworkable room temperatures in buildings such as College Avenue, Cook/Douglass, Busch, and Livingston. There have been many complaints from students living in Residence Halls and Apartments with air conditioning about room temperatures being way too high at the beginning of March. From those I've spoken with, room temperatures can range from 80 degrees to 91 degrees, which is uncomfortable for those who already pay more for those living spaces. All this to say, staff, faculty, and students have shown a growing dissatisfaction with building climates during seasonal transitions, and I'm hoping the senate could look more into it.

Open Charge Request (2:00 – 2:10 p.m.)

BFC requests to amend charge language (in bold) for S-2333-1: Cost Cutting and Budget Deficits:

Charge: Identify cost cutting measures that are being imposed on departments by their schools. Investigate and report the budgetary process, rationales for these cuts and their impact on the quality of academic programs. **Examine the shared governance processes that inform the budgetary process and measures taken.**

Old Business

New Business

Adjournment