

Committee on Committees
Minutes
Wednesday, November 20, 2019
10:00 a.m.
308 Marston

Present: Barbara K. Smith, Michelle Leonard, Richard Scholtz, Laurie Bialosky, Alyson Adams, and Steven Swarts.

1. Call to Order and Introductions

The meeting was called to order at 10:00 a.m. and members were introduced.

2. Committee on Committees (a Senate Operations Committee) Mission

An overview of the committee's mission was provided:

- [University Constitution Article V \(2\)\(B\)](#) Committee on Committees. The Committee on Committees shall be composed of six members elected by the Faculty Senate from the faculty at large. The members serve staggered three-year terms. The chair is elected by the Committee. Periodically, the Committee shall conduct a review of all Senate committees, which will consider the selection process for members, the purpose of the committees, and attendance at committee meetings. The Committee shall have the responsibility of recommending to the Senate the addition, reclassification, or dissolution of any Senate Committee, transformation of existing Presidential Committees into Joint Committees, or vice versa, and assignments of committees to Senate Policy Councils as Contributing or Related Committees. The Committee on Committees is also responsible for recommending any special qualifications for members of Senate Councils and Senate Committees to the Faculty Senate. Such special qualifications shall be as set forth in this Constitution and in the Senate Bylaw.

3. Approve [March 18, 2019 Minutes](#)

The minutes were approved as amended to correct scrivener errors.

4. Election of Committee on Committees Chair

Barbara K. Smith was elected as 2019-2020 chair.

5. [Compensation Committee](#) Update

Background was provided on the effort to re-define the charge of the Compensation Committee so that it is less restrictive and encourages committee activity and relevance.

[The Committee on Committees recommends this Compensation Committee charge](#) (see bottom of page 1 – page 2.) Being a Faculty Senate (standing) Committee, this clarifies that the Compensation Committee ultimately reports to Faculty Senate and not to the Welfare Council. The Compensation Committee Chair continues to be a contributing member of the Welfare Council but today's approved wording is consistent with other constitutional wording.

This recommendation will be vetted at the next (December 4, 2019) University Constitution & Regulations Committee.

6. Agenda Suggestions/Council and Committee Reviews to schedule in Spring 2020

An [update summary](#) was reviewed.

The University Libraries Committee Chair will be invited to present at the January COC meeting. COC will meet at 308 Marston 10 – 11:30 a.m. on Wednesday: 1-15, 2-19, 3-11, and 4-8. Zoom will be available and will be noted on each meeting agenda.

7. Work on Draft of 2020 Committee on Committees Report to the Senate

Work continues on the COC report to Faculty Senate.

8. Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 10:40 a.m.

Resources:

[Constitution of the University of Florida](#)

[Bylaws of the Faculty Senate](#)