

## Committee on Committees (COC)

### Minutes

Monday, March 27, 2023

10:00 a.m.

<https://ufl.zoom.us/j/98678411726?pwd=VXhYMXdtb1d5MU4wSUIXdC9KdUtgdz09>

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**Present: David Norton, Patrick Klager, Luisa Amelia Dempere, Joseph Riley, Laurie Bialosky, Nian Wang, Paramita Chakrabarty**

1. **Call to Order** – by Paramita Chakrabarty, Chair, CoC at 10:00 a.m.
2. **Approve February 13, 2023 Minutes**  
The minutes were approved.
3. **Research Policy Committee** – David Norton, Research Policy Committee Chair & UF VP of Research

Purpose of the Research Policy Committee is to review and approve policy for efforts on research at UF.

In the past the committee used to meet 1 to 3 times a year, and at some point there were questions about sun setting the committee. The faculty Senate Leadership did not agree with its sunset as it considered that was a useful committee.

As the pandemic developed it was required more frequent meetings of the committee as new operational policies due to COVID impacted UF research activities. Thus, after the pandemic, the committee has continued meeting monthly.

Membership in the committee is quite diverse and includes most UF Research staff.

Topics discussed by the committee include:

- Topics coming from federal agencies
- Impacts on research of proposed legislation
- Reports on animal research regulatory compliance
- Reports on Human research regulatory compliance

The committee also aims at helping faculty to engage on research across institutions in UF, USA and the world.

Question: How do you think we can incentivize faculty cross-communication to avoid silos of research?

Real time networking using tools that enable connections among those seeking to engage with specific expertise. Using tools that allow people to know who is who in each research space.

Question? How education will be impacted by Tallahassee decisions?

The state has been very supportive of Universities. Decisions in Tallahassee sometimes make our lives more challenging. The Research Policy Committee can be one of the groups that help faculty find ways to navigate the changes related to research coming from new laws and regulations.

4. **Committee on Committees** – Paramita Chakrabarty, Chair, CoC & CoC Members

5. Election of 2023-4 CoC Chair *Eligible: Drs. Knackstedt, Wang, Dempere & Riley*  
Luisa Amelia Dempere was elected Chair.

- View: <http://senate.ufl.edu/committees--councils/> for a committee/council overview:

Name	Faculty membership consists of:	Seat filled by:	Reports to:
Faculty Senate Committees	UF Faculty	Nominated by UF Faculty & elected by UF Faculty Senators	UF Faculty Senate
Joint Committees	UF Faculty	Nominated by UF Faculty; Typically 50% elected by UF Faculty Senators and 50% Appointed by UF President/President's Designee	UF President & UF Faculty Senate
Presidential Committees	UF Faculty	Nominated by UF Faculty & appointed by UF President	UF President
(5) Senate Policy Councils	*Current (at the time of the election) Faculty Senators	Nominated by UF Faculty & elected by UF Faculty Senators	UF Faculty Senate

Name
<a href="#">Faculty Senate Committees</a>
<a href="#">Joint Committees</a>
<a href="#">Presidential Committees</a>
<a href="#">(5) Senate Policy Councils</a>

6. Committee/Council Invitations Schedule

- View below / p. 2 of the [2021 - 2022 Committee on Committees Report](#) for this year's CoC Review Rotation List.

- Utilizing this [Appendix](#) list on p. 17 – 18 and below, establish the target CoC Review Rotation for this and the upcoming academic year review cycles, and adding tweaks to each monthly CoC agenda:

*As of March 2023:*

**Reviewed in 2021 – 2022**

- (New Committee) Professional Curriculum Committee (PCC) – Reported Oct 2021
- Parking & Transportation Committee (PATC) – Reported Nov 2021

- Research & Scholarship Council – Reported Nov 2021
- Senate Nominating Committee – Reported Dec 2021
- Academic Policy Council (APC) – Reported Dec 2021
- General Education Committee (GEC) – Reported Jan 2022
- Academic Assessment Committee – Reported Jan 2022
- Academic Freedom, Tenure, Professional Relations, & Standards (AFTPRS) Committee – Reported Feb 2022
- University Information Technology Committee – Reported Feb 2022
  - Committee on Committees (each year) – Reported Apr 2022

**List of scheduled committee reviews in 2022-2023 by CoC:**

- University Constitution & Regulations Committee (UCRC) – Oct 2022
- Academic Personnel Board – Nov 2022
- Compensation & Equity Committee – Dec 2022
- University Libraries Committee (ULC) – Jan 2023
- Research Policy Committee – Mar 2023
- Student Petitions Committee – Dec 2022
- Sustainability Committee – Jan 2023
- Budget Council – Feb 2023
- Welfare Council – Nov 2022
  - Committee on Committees (each year) – to report Apr 2023

**List of scheduled committee reviews in 2023-2024 by CoC:**

- Senate Steering Committee
- Honorary Degrees and Distinguished Awards
- Graduate Council
- University Curriculum Committee
- Lakes, Vegetation, & Landscaping Committee
- Land Use and Facilities Planning Committee
- Preservation of Historic Buildings and Sites Committee
- Infrastructure Council
- Committee on Committees (each year)

**7. Adjournment**

The meeting adjourned at 10:38.

Minutes Submitted by Amelia Dempere, CoC Member.

Resources:

- [Committee on Committees SOP](#)
- [Constitution of the University of Florida](#) & [Bylaws of the Faculty Senate](#)