



Final Report 2019-2020

Committee: Senate Affairs Committee (SAC)

Chair: Dawn Iacobucci

Members: David Cole, Jason Valentine, Sari Acra, Wonder Drake, Tracy Sharpley-Whiting, Gieri Simonett

EC Liaison: Jeremy Wilson

Committee Description: To be concerned with all matters pertaining to the functioning of the Senate. Responsible for a continuing review of the Rules of the Faculty Senate, recommending new rules when appropriate, and assisting in the interpretation of existing rules. To consider proposed revisions of the Constitution of the Faculty Assembly and Faculty Senate when this duty is assigned by the Senate. To maintain at least yearly communication with the Staff Council leadership. To maintain at least yearly communication with the following university standing committees: Athletics, Calendar, Faculty and Staff Benefits, Religious Affairs, Technology Review, and Traffic and Parking.

The **Senate Affairs Committee** proposed and with the Senate passed a “pre-motion” motion; that Senators wishing to propose a motion give the Executive Committee at least 7 calendar days to consider the new motion, and Senators, at least 14 days before voting.

The **Senate Affairs Committee** also proposed and passed 3 motions regarding the 5-year apportionment of Senators across Colleges and Schools within Vanderbilt University and VUMC. The motions were set to be presented to the Spring Faculty Assembly before the onset of the COVID-19 pandemic. Therefore, these motions will be revisited beginning in the Fall of 2020.