

Draft Minutes for the Meeting of the Committee of Nine – August 19, 2020

Submitted by Stacie Davenport

Mark Cooper, Chair of the Faculty Senate, chaired the meeting. The meeting began at 2:31.

Members Present:

Prof. Mark Cooper
Prof. Derek Black
Prof. Gloria Boutte
Prof. Tena Crews
Dr. Heather Heckman
Prof. Coretta Jenerette
Prof. Marco Valtorta
Prof. Thomas Vogt
Prof. Patrick Wright

Non-voting members present:

Prof. Alexander Beecroft
Prof. Shirley Staples Carter
Prof. Susan Cutter
Prof. Carol Harrison
Prof. Scott Weiss

The following were also present:

Mark Bieger
Tayloe Harding
Dennis Pruitt
Joe Sobieralski
Bill Tate

Professor Cooper called the meeting to order. It was discussed that the minutes of the August 12 meeting would be circulated again and approved at the end of the meeting.

Professor Cooper called for David Attis from EAB to begin his report. Scott Winslow from EAB was also present.

The main topic of this meeting was for EAB to discuss the case for making changes and gain feedback and committee member observations related to the path forward working with EAB.

Davis Attis from EAB facilitated the discussion.

Main topics of the discussion were as follows:

- **Changing demographics impacting the University of South Carolina.**
- **Implications of the newly adopted strategic plan on the work of the Committee of Nine.**
- **Barriers to the process and related strategies to address them.**
- **Institutionally created/available resources to help inform EAB and the process.**
- **Strategies for communicating the work of the Committee of Nine**

Other Items:

Stacie will schedule a meeting next week once a date/time has been confirmed with the committee. This meeting will be in Teams and will not include EAB.

Mark will work with David and Joe to create a list of bullet points to assist committee members with communications about the committee activities and will circulate to members once available.

The minutes from the August 12th meeting were approved and added to the Committee of 9 file section of teams.

After no further discussion, the meeting was adjourned at 3:35pm.

All approved minutes are found on the Faculty Senate webpage. A link is provided below:

https://www.sc.edu/about/offices_and_divisions/faculty_senate/committees/committee_of_9/index.php