

**Senate Steering Meeting**  
**November 5, 2024**  
**3:30 pm**  
**107 Samford**

Lori Eckhardt, Jaena Alabi, Virginia Davis, Rachel Prado, Lisa Kensler, Vini Nathan, Andrew Pendola, J. Brian Anderson, L. Octavia Tripp, Tom Leathem

**Special Guests**

Karen Battye (Chair, Calendar and Schedule Committee), Wesley Lindsey (Chair, Library Committee), Martha Taylor (Assistant VP for Research), Silvia Quintero Naranjo (Director ERA), Marybeth Murphy (University Event Database Administrator), Richard Campbell (Chief Communications Officer), Kionna Coleman (Executive Director)

**AGENDA**

**Steering Agenda** (times in *italics* are approximate)

1. 3:30 Welcome to guests/introductions
2. Call to order
3. Announcements – Updates (Vini Nathan/Norman Godwin)
4. Discussion/approval of Steering Minutes from October 8, 2024 Meeting
5. 3:45 Discussion, edit, and approval of Senate Agenda for University Senate Meeting on November 12, 2024 at 3:30PM ([aub.ie/senatezoom](https://aub.ie/senatezoom))
  - a) Remarks/Announcements
    1. President Roberts and Provost Nathan
  - b) 3:50 Information Items
    1. Update on Electronic Research Administration (ERA) System – Martha Taylor
    2. AU App Update – Marybeth Murphy, Richard Campbell, Kionna Coleman
  - c) 4:05 Action Items
    1. Calendar and Schedule 2026-2027 Update – Karen Battye
    2. Library Committee Report – Wesley Lindsey
6. 4:35 New Business

*Mission: The Steering Committee acts on behalf of the AU Senate on matters requiring attention between meetings of that body and assists the chair of the Senate in setting the agenda for Senate meetings. In addition, it is concerned with the academic affairs of the University, with particular*

*attention given to the need for developing and recommending policies under which these affairs are conducted. It works closely with other Senate committees to aid them in their assignments.*