

ATTENDANCE

	Name	Div/Term		Name	Div/Term		Name	Div/Term
✓	Dan Kernler (President)	2024-2026	✓	Les McTighe	LVPA 2023-2025	✓	Tom Limberis	SBCT 2024-2026
✓	Stacey Shah (1st VP)	ARIT/ABEC 2024-2026	✓	Susan Robinson	LVPA 2023-2025	✓	Terri Birch (Membership)	UA2, LVPA 2024-2026
—	Liddy Hope	CABS 2024-2026	✓	Michelle Kershner	MSE 2024-2026	✓	Tammy Ray (Webmaster)	UA2, SBCT 2023-2025
✓	Ryan Kerr (Chief Negotiator)	CABS 2023-2025	✓	Chris Cunningham (Parliamentarian)	MSE 2024-2026	✓	Amanda Hirsch	UA2, CABS 2023-2025
—	Ruby Sanny	CABS 2023-2025	✓	Luis Martinez	MSE 2024-2026	✓	Katherine Fletcher	UA2, MSE 2024-2026
✓	Josh Thusat	CABS 2024-2026	—	Dave Reich	SBCT 2023-2025	✓	Ali Malik	UA2, MSE 2024-2026
✓	Lisa Hodson	HP 2024-2026	✓	Patrick Gordon	SBCT 2024-2026	✓	Lisa Del Giudice (Comms. Liaison)	UA2 2023-2025
✓	Kimberly Tarver	HP 2024-2026	✓	Clark Hallpike	SBCT 2024-2026			
NON-VOTING								
✓	Laura Haske (Secretary)	2023-2024	✓	Steve “Woody” Wood (Treasurer)	2024-2025			

Members in Attendance: Janice Petit-Sollenberger, Jessica Carpenter, TJ Latto, Lori Clark, Diane Flahaven, Alison Douglas

1. VISITORS

- a. **Alison Douglas - HB5020 Dual Credit.** Alison shared information about Illinois House Bill 5020 with proposed changes to dual credit. Many of the concerns raised by senators have been addressed in the legislative process, and the language has changed. ECC has a good dual credit relationship, and the faculty qualifications are the same as those at the college because of accreditation requirements. School districts can seek dual credit from institutions.

2. ANNOUNCEMENTS

- a. **Achieving the Dream Coaches Visit.** Friday, April 19, 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM - Faculty participation is encouraged. In-person attendance is preferred, but interested faculty can participate online with this Zoom link: <https://elgin-edu.zoom.us/j/98050076086>.
- b. **ICCFA Faculty Research and Workshop Grant Proposals.** The Illinois Community College Faculty Association will accept faculty research and workshop proposals. Part-time and full-time faculty can apply to be one of four recipients of a \$2,500 grant. The deadline to apply is May 17. For more information: [ICCFA Awards](#).

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

- a. Diane moved to approve the March 20, 2024, senate meeting minutes. Tammy seconded. The motion carried.

4. TREASURER'S REPORT: STEVE "WOODY" WOOD

- a. The report sent to senators via email was accepted.

5. COMMITTEE REPORTS

a. COPE

- i. Diane moved to adjourn to COPE. Stacey seconded. The motion carried.
- ii. **SURS Election.** Senators discussed voting recommendations for the SURS board. Kim referred senators to the ECCFA Facebook for information and encouraged voting.
- iii. **Tier 2 Pension Issues.** Jessica mentioned Tier 2 pension reforms and provided this [resource](#) about the issue.
- iv. Diane moved to adjourn from COPE. Stacey seconded. The motion carried.

6. ELECTIONS & COMMITTEE REQUESTS

a. Committee Requests

- i. **Administrative Procedure Review Team (APRT) - 1 Faculty Requested.** From Laura Haske, who currently serves on the APRT: "The APRT reviews administrative procedures that affect students and faculty. Team members can see the comments from the cross-functional review team and hear directly from the procedure's coordinator. Every procedure under review has a first reading and a second reading. The APRT asks questions and makes recommendations related to the procedure language. There is one faculty member on the team. The team meets on Zoom from 1:00 pm to 3:00 pm on the second Friday of most months during the semester." More information can be found

here: [TLSD website](#).

b. Elections

- i. **Elections Committee Report.** Chris directed the senators to the ECCFA election results addendum. See Addendum A - [ECCFA Voting Results](#). The committee added turnout numbers to the results. Amanda moved to approve the ECCFA election results. Stacey seconded. The motion carried.
- ii. **President Seated.** Lori welcomed Dan as the new ECCFA president and provided parting remarks.
- iii. **Senators Welcomed & Introduced.** Senators were welcomed, and introductions were made.
- iv. **Election of Officers.** Chris provided reminders about parliamentary procedures, including point of information (when you have a question) and division (to call for a count of the votes).
 1. **1st Vice President.** Terri moved to elect a first vice president. Lisa seconded. The motion carried. Terri nominated Stacey Shah. She accepted. Senators approved the nomination by vote.
 2. **2nd Vice President.** Michelle moved to elect a second vice president. Lisa seconded. The motion carried. Amanda nominated Terri Birch. She accepted. Michelle nominated Katherine Fletcher. She accepted. Senators called for a vote by Zoom poll and room tally. Stacey Shah counted the votes, and the results were a tie. As the President, Dan broke the tie by choosing Katherine Fletcher.
 3. **Treasurer.** Michelle moved to elect a treasurer. Katherine seconded. The motion carried. Luis nominated Steve “Woody.” He accepted. Senators approved the nomination by vote.
 4. **Secretary.** Michelle moved to elect a secretary. Katherine seconded. The motion carried. Ryan nominated Alison Douglas. She previously accepted the nomination with a Fall 2024 start date. Laura agreed to continue as secretary through the end of the Spring 2024 term. Senators approved the nomination of Alison Douglas by vote.
 5. **Remaining Positions.** Chris moved to consent agenda the approval of the following positions. There was a second, and the motion carried.
 - a. Parliamentarian: Chris Cunningham
 - b. Webmaster: Tammy Ray
 - c. Social Media Chair: Jessica Carpenter
 - d. Membership Chair: Kim Tarver

- e. COPE Chair: Antonio Ramirez
- f. Communications Liaison: Lisa Del Giudice
- g. Volunteer Coordinator
- h. Sentinel Editor

Senators voted to approve the above positions.

v. **Respiratory Therapy Instructor Search Committee.**

1. Fred Vogt, Professor II of Biology

Michelle moved to approve Fred for the search committee. Katherine seconded. Senators discussed that the call for volunteers had yet to go out to all faculty and that the number of faculty members on the committee should be consistent with the hiring committee guidelines, which require three faculty members. Lisa Hodson volunteered as an additional member of the search committee. Michelle withdrew her motion. Kim moved to support the regular process and put out a call for volunteers. Lisa seconded. The motion carried.

7. OLD BUSINESS

- a. **HB5020 (Dual Credit).** Patrick's tabled motion from the previous meeting was for ECCFA to oppose HB5020 formally. Based on new information on changes to the language, Patrick withdrew his motion.

8. NEW BUSINESS

- a. **Committee Openings.** Josh asked about the process for filling open committee positions. Senators discussed the past practice of division selection at opening day meetings by vote. If there are no additional volunteers, it goes to the dean for appointment. Ryan clarified that the appointment process does not apply to ECCFA committees like Grievance and Negotiations.
- b. **Senate Meeting Format.** Dan would like more people to attend the Senate in person. The hybrid format will stay the same for the upcoming year, but he would like senators to consider possible solutions to solve the challenges of the hybrid format.

9. ADJOURNMENT

- a. Tammy moved to adjourn the meeting. Michelle seconded. The motion carried.

Addendum A - ECCFA Voting Results

President:

Dan Kernler 2026

Curriculum:

Alison Douglas	CABS	25-26
Jeffrey Weisman	CABS	25-26
Amanda Hirsch	CABS	25-26
OPEN	HP	
OPEN	HP	
Abby Bailey	MSE	25-26
Ken Beynon	MSE	25-26
Chrystie Wojcik	SBCT	25-26
Leticia Starkov	SBCT	25-26
OPEN	SBCT	

Faculty Development:

Colleen Stribling	ABEC		2026
OPEN	CABS		
OPEN	HP		
OPEN	HP		
Chuck Dakarian	MSE		2026
Heidi Eaton	SBCT		2026
Fabio Martinez	SBCT		2026
Roxanne Bell	Any	UAF	2026
Loretta Mielcarak	Any	UAF	2026

Grievance:

OPEN	ANY	UA2	
OPEN	ANY	UA1	

Beth Hultman	ARIT/ABEC	FT	2026
Dawn Munson	CABS	FT	2026
Jackie Dalke	HP	FT	2026
Peter Han	LVPA	FT	2026
Michelle Kershner	MSE	FT	2026

Senate:

OPEN	ANY	UA1	
OPEN	ANY	UA1	
Terri Birch	ANY	UA2	2026
Katherine Fletcher	ANY	UA2	2026
Ali Malik	ANY	UA2	2026
Lisa Del Giudice	ANY	UA2	2026
OPEN	ANY	UA2	
OPEN	ANY	UA2	
OPEN	ANY	UA2	
OPEN	ANY	UA2	
Stacey Shah	ARIT/ABEC	FT	2026
Liddy Hope	CABS	FT	2026
Josh Thusat	CABS	FT	2026
Lisa Hodson	HP	FT	2026
Kim Tarver	HP	FT	2026
Michelle Kershner	MSE	FT	2026
Chris Cunningham	MSE	FT	2026
Luis Martinez	MSE	FT	2026
Tom Limberis	SBCT	FT	2026
Patrick Gordon	SBCT	FT	2026
Clark Hallpike	SBCT	FT	2026

Sick Bank:

Kathleen DeMars	ARIT/ABEC	FT	2026
Joe Rosenfeld	CABS	FT	2026
OPEN	HP	FT	

SLAAC:

Arturo Vazquez Jr.	CABS	25-26
Terri Birch	LVPA	25-26
Loretta Mielcarek	LVPA	25-26
OPEN	MSE	
OPEN	MSE	
OPEN	SBCT	
OPEN	SBCT	
OPEN	SBCT	

Honors:

Maria Ashton-Stebbing	ANY	UA	2026
Carissa Miller	CAB S		2026
Loretta Mielcarek	LVPA		2026
Charles Dakarian	MSE		2026
OPEN	SBCT		