3:16 Senate Report and Opening Remarks
Gray Crouse, University Senate President

The meeting called to order.
Senate President, Gray Crouse, welcomed and thanked attendees for participation.
There will be three main themes this year for the university senate
1. Focus on Emory as a private research university
   a. A series of guest speakers who will help us explore this topic. The first speaker is
      Ron Ehrenberg of Cornell on October 23, and the second, on December 4, is
      Robert Zemsky from Penn.
   b. In the spring the topics will be regarding Financial aid and administrative costs
2. Focus on Governance - Shared Responsibility
   a. Policy committee is being created - Policy changes that impact Faculty, staff, and
      students
3. Integrity – Maintain the integrity of the institutions

3:30 Committee Reports
1. Transportation and Parking – Karen Chason
   The first meeting was last week. All members rolled over except for a few
   students.
   The committee will continue to advise Parking and Transportation regarding
   changes that are made that impact campus. The changes include shuttle schedules,
   price changes, Woodruff Circle and issues with parking gates.
2. Honorary Degrees – Julie Seaman
   The committee has several new members. They look forward to presenting a new
   pool of diverse honorary degrees for this year.
3. Athletics and Recreation – Kristen Frenzel and Kathy Campbell
4. Campus Development – Dawn Francis-Chewning
   The committee meets monthly at least 10 times a year. The projects underway for this
   year include the 210 bed Hospital addition, Woodruff Circle, and the campus
   freshman hall. The membership ranges from Students to Emeritus faculty,
5. Campus Life – Marc Cordon
   The committee oversaw the formation of healthy campus coalition last year.
   They catered to changing campus culture, promoting wellness and student success.
   This September, the coalition was introduced to first year students. They will
   continue to follow the initiative this year under direction of Dr. Nair.
This year the committee will collaborate on student assessment initiatives, and will continue to provide updates during upcoming senate meetings.

6. Diversity – Marietta Collins and Christine Ristaino
   a. Mission – (1) to provide a more comprehensive view of the University’s offices and initiatives responsible for strengthening diversity at Emory; (2) to encourage diversity considerations in the formation of all University Senate committees; and (3) to publicize events on campus that have a strong diversity component.
      i. Serving on Advisory council on the new community and diversity steering committee. They will provide regular updates to the university senate regarding the new initiatives taking place in the next few years on campus. They will also meet with each committee to review individual needs and concerns.
      ii. The office has a website www.diversity.emory.edu. It is updated regularly, and has information regarding all of the events related to diversity.
   b. Diversity initiatives this year is to focus on big picture items that the university has be strong at to function well and that they are priorities.
   c. Become even better at communicating the obligations that the university has of rights and responsibilities, and how these obligations relate to Emory’s statement of non-discrimination.
   d. Address accessibility issues
   e. Investigate barriers for international students.
   f. Continue the ‘hour long conversations’ on campus to hear the unheard voices
   g. Continue PCORE initiatives

7. Environment – Jan Hawes
   a. The purpose is to review capital projects and other environmental issues as they come forward mostly through campus services. The committee gives suggestions and comments for the environmental impact.
   b. They have added students to the committee
   c. This year they will assist and advise DeKalb County with sewer line repairs.
   d. They will advise on the Hospital extension project.
   e. Communicate on the tree laws and the Emory canopy.
   f. They will work on building a ‘blue house’.

8. Fringe Benefits – Sidney Stein
   a. The first meeting was last week.
   b. They continued discussions on the complex issue of the university considering to remove healthcare options for retirees who have other alternate options.

9. Library Policy – Benn Konsynski
   a. They are going through an interim period with the library system and there are a variety of issues
   10. Safety/Security – Debra Houry
    a. The focus this year will be alcohol and drug use among students and injuries, and developing a surveillance system to track it.
11. Employee Council – Kathy Troyer
   a. 35 members at the first meeting last week.
   b. The focus will be on ‘one staff/one voice/one Emory’ and the goal will be to work on community engagement and purpose.
   c. They will host a joint townhall with the Office of Diversity.

12. Student Government Association – Ashish Gandhi
   a. Reallocate resources and make them available to student organizations

4:00 Business Practices Improvement Update, Bill Dracos
Bill Dracos provided an update on the BPI Research Administration Project. There are five projects that will launch this fall.
   1. Enhancing Compass Grants Module
   2. Design and Pilot Shared Service Centers
   3. Create a Federal Contract Specialty Team
   4. Improve Final FSR (Financial Status Report)/Final Invoice Process
   5. Training Enhancements

For more information, visit the website: TransformResearchAdministration.emory.edu

4:20 Resolution by Task Force on Dissent, Protest, and Community, Frank Alexander

Frank Alexander, Professor, School of Law shared the history of the task force and its progress thus far. Their goal is to encourage dialog along with integrity and respect for all. They are not trying at this point to create rules or to address specific issues, but to lay the groundwork for handling these types of issues in the future.

Resolution was presented to create Stage II Task Force which will be chaired by Ajay Nair, Senior Vice President and Dean of Campus Life. The Stage II Task Force will be expanded to include persons from across the University constituencies.

The Senate moved to approve the resolution. Motion passed.

Ajay Nair said that the group will continue to meet and report on their progress in the spring. Handouts were distributed that included more detail.

4:40 Remarks from James W. Wagner, President
The search for new provost – The timeframe for the final list of candidates will be presented in early December.
We will be wrapping up the Emory campaign by conclusion Dec 31st, 2012.

Top list of priorities for this year:

1. Empowering and facilitating faculty and staff responsibility for the future of the enterprise.
2. Strengthening the College of Arts & Sciences.
3. Responding creatively to the fiscal realities in the Woodruff Health Sciences center.
5. Exploring our partnership with Georgia Tech.
6. Refining international strategy.
8. Capitalize on literary assets.

4:50 Remarks from Earl Lewis, Provost and Executive Vice President for Academic Affairs

1. Opportunities
   - Major appointments
     a. Dean of the School of Medicine
     b. The Library
     c. Office of International Affairs
   - Expect receipt of Class and Labor report
   - This was the year we started our concentrated effort to be prepared for Sachs accreditation and reaffirmation visit in 2013 and 2014.
   - Data Advisory committee has been created. It will be responsible for creating codebooks for all the data that is submitted to outside agencies.

2. Celebration
   - Oct 10th – Review strategic plan
   - Oct 22nd – Poster celebration of strategic plan

3. Observation
   - Oct 22nd – Review history of Dental School

5:00 Adjournment