

**Senate Steering Meeting**  
**February 11, 2025**  
**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**

Chris Lepczyk, Chair, RISE Committee  
Paul Esposito, Veteran Resource Center

**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 January 15, 2025 Meeting
5. 3:45 Discussion, edit, and approval of Senate Agenda for University Senate Meeting on February 18, 2025 at 3:30PM ([aub.ie/senatezoom](http://aub.ie/senatezoom))
  - a) Remarks/Announcements
    1. President Roberts and Provost Nathan
  - b) 3:50 Information Items
    1. Veterans Resource Center – Paul Esposito
    2. Teams and Team Voice Update – Jill Hill
  - c) 4:05 Action Items
    1. RISE Committee Report – Chris Lepczyk
    2. Vote on Calendar and Schedule 2027-2028 – Jaena Alabi
    3. Call for Nominations for the floor for Rules Committee Members – Jaena Alabi
    4. Announce Candidates for Chair-Elect and Secretary-Elect – Jaena Alabi
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.*