ETSU University Council Membership

*The purpose of the University Council is to support university leadership and stakeholders in shared governance processes that are engaging, ongoing, integrated, and involve institution-wide research-based planning and evaluation processes that **1)** incorporate a systematic review of institutional mission, goals, and outcomes; **2)** result in continuing improvement of institutional quality; and **3)** demonstrate that ETSU is effectively accomplishing its mission.*

Role	Status / Responsibility	Term	Currently Serving
Athletic Director	Ex Officio / Voting	Indefinite	Dr. Richard Sander
Vice President for Business and Finance/CFO	Ex Officio / Voting	Indefinite	Ms. Christy Graham
Vice President for Administration/COO	Ex Officio / Voting	Indefinite	Mr. Jeremy Ross
Chair of the Council of Academic Chairs	Ex Officio / Voting	Indefinite	Dr. Sarah Thomason
Chair	Selected by the Council of Academic Chairs / Voting	2 years, renewable 2023-25, 2025-27	Dr. Dhirendra Kumar
Chair	Selected by the Council of Academic Chairs / Voting	2 years, renewable 2026-28	Dr. Brian Bennett
Chair	Selected by the Council of Academic Chairs / Voting	2 years, renewable 2024-26, 2026-28	Dr. Sarah Thomason
Dean	Selected by the Deans / Voting	2 years, renewable 2024-2026	Dr. Joe Bidwell
Dean	Selected by the Deans / Voting	2 years, renewable 2024-2026	Dr. Jeff Snodgrass
Dean	Selected by the Deans / Voting	2 years, renewable 2025-2027	Dr. Debbie Byrd
Dean	Selected by the Deans / Voting	2 years, renewable 2025-2027	Dr. Tony Pittarese
Interim Vice President for Marketing and Communications/CMO	Ex Officio / Voting	Indefinite	Ms. Melissa Nipper
Faculty Senate Past President or Designee	Ex Officio / Voting	Indefinite	Dr. Alan Stevens
Faculty Senate President	Ex Officio / Voting	Indefinite	Dr. Kate Beatty
Graduate & Professional Student Association Representative	Selected by the Graduate & Professional Student Association / Voting	1 year with an identified alternate, 2026-2027	Mr. Alex Simmons
Senior Vice President for Academics	Ex Officio / Voting **Vice Chair / Presiding**	Indefinite	Dr. Kimberly McCorkle
Interim Vice President for Information Technology/CIO	Ex Officio / Voting	Indefinite	Ms. Myra Jones
Staff Senate President	Ex Officio / Voting	Indefinite	Mr. Cody Morelock
Staff Senate Past President	Ex Officio / Voting	Indefinite	Mr. Cody Morelock
Student Government Representative *	Selected by the Student Government Association / Voting	1 year with an identified alternate 2025-26, 2026-27	Ms. Shelby Koerten
University Counsel	Ex Officio / Voting	Indefinite	Ms. Rebecca Tolene
Vice President for Clinical Affairs	Ex Officio / Voting	Indefinite	Dr. Bill Block
Vice President for Student Success	Ex Officio / Voting	Indefinite	Dr. Keith Johnson
Senior Vice President for Student Life and Enrollment	Ex Officio / Voting	Indefinite	Dr. Joe Sherlin
Vice President for University Advancement	Ex Officio / Voting	Indefinite	Mr. Howard Reddy
Vice Provost for Research	Ex Officio / Voting	Indefinite	Dr. Nick Hagemeier
Associate Vice President for Student Life and Enrollment	Ex Officio / Non-Voting	Indefinite	Dr. Sam Mayhew
Associate Vice President for Community & Government Relations	Ex Officio / Non-Voting	Indefinite	Ms. Bridget Baird
Vice Provost for Decision Support and Chief Planning Officer	Ex Officio / Non-Voting	Indefinite	Dr. Mike Hoff
Chief of Staff & Secretary of the Board of Trustees	Ex Officio / Non-Voting	Indefinite	Dr. Adam Green
President	Ex Officio / Non-Voting **Chair / Non-Presiding**	Indefinite	Dr. Brian Noland
SACSCOC Liaison	Ex Officio / Non-Voting	Indefinite	Dr. Cheri Clavier
Deputy University Counsel – Policies	Ex Officio / Non-Voting	Indefinite	Ms. Kay Lennon-McGrew

*SGA representatives transition April-May annually

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