

University Speakers Series Committee 2019-2020 Summary Report

The University Speaker Series Committee had their first meeting on November 13, 2019.

The following members were in attendance:

Jennifer Schriver

Nancy Hall

Mike Lunsford

Craig McKee

John Benton

The agenda included the following:

- 1) Welcome
- 2) Introductions of new members
- 3) Mission of USS
- 4) How Speakers are chosen...price, availability, calendar, etc
- 5) Past Speakers – list of the past 10 years was passed out
- 6) Current Speakers – talked thru each one and asked for comments
- 7) Rate this Season – asked for members to rate the speakers list for 2020-21
 - We have an extensive list that we went thru identifying the options the members felt were the best choices.
 - There was a lot of discussion about the speakers.
 - New suggestions were given as well.

The committee was very supportive, and it was a good discussion time of what makes a good University Speaker Series Season.

Due to COVID-19 the Spring in person meeting was not able to happen.

An email was sent March 23, 2020 detailing the Speakers that were contracted for 2020-21. The committee members were asked to mark the dates on their calendars for these upcoming events. I also asked each to email to me a list of potential speakers for 2021-22 so I can investigate their costs, availability etc. I received positive responses and one member has already put their preference in to host a student session for next season.

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