

To: The University Senate
From: University Senate Nominating Committee
Subject: Nominees for Vice Chairperson of the University Senate
Reference: Bylaws, Section 3.20b, c
Disposition: Election by the University Senate

Proposal: The Nominating Committee proposes the following slate to serve as candidates for Vice Chairperson of the University Senate during the academic year 2023-2024:

Neil Knobloch, Agricultural Sciences Education and Communication

Steven Scott, Pharmacy Practice

Susan South, Psychological Sciences

Mark Zimpfer, Construction Management Technology

Committee Votes:

<u>For:</u>	<u>Against:</u>	<u>Abstained:</u>	<u>Absent:</u>
Dulcy Abraham	N/A	N/A	N/A
Sabine Brunswicker			
Damon Lisch			
Andrew Liu			
Richard D. Mattes (chair)			
Abdelfattah Nour			
Jan Olek			
Joseph Sobieralski			
Qifan Song			

Candidate Biographical Sketches

Neil Knobloch, Agricultural Sciences Education and Communication

Neil Knobloch was appointed to the Purdue University faculty as an Assistant Professor in 2007 and was promoted to Associate Professor in 2009 and to Professor in 2017. He has been recognized nationally for his research, teaching, and engagement to advance diversity, equity, and inclusion. Professor Knobloch has been a campus and national leader in developing human capacity through inclusive learner-centered teaching and mentoring. He is completing his 2nd term in the University Senate, including service on the Steering Committee and Equity, Diversity, and Inclusion Committee. Past university-level service includes the Purdue Office of Engagement Associate Deans Advisory Group; Inclusive Excellence Graduate Certificate Taskforce; Purdue COACHE Workgroup on Work-life Issues for Associate Professors, Female Faculty, and Faculty of Color; Integrated STEM Education Leadership Council & Cluster Hire Search Committee; and the Presidential Taskforce for Assessing Student Growth. He serves as the College of Agriculture Representative on the Agenda and Policy Committee and Purdue Agriculture Faculty Meetings. Neil enjoyed serving as a Senator and values a collaborative leadership style in advocating for faculty, staff, and students through faculty governance.

Dr. Knobloch's scholarship focuses on motivating and engaging K-12, undergraduate, and graduate students in the agricultural sciences to support and advance the STEM career pipeline and system. He teaches courses on research design for social scientists, integrated STEM learning, and preparing faculty and graduate students to be inclusive learner-centered teachers. Neil attended Iowa State University, where he received a BS and MS in Agricultural & Extension Education. After teaching middle and high school students for seven years, he attended Ohio State University where he received his Ph.D. in Human and Community Resource Development with a specialization in Instructional Leadership. He is the proud dad of three Boilermakers. Grant (ABE '19) works for Brock Grain Systems, Nelson (AGEC '20) works for John Deere, and Kedron is a sophomore in Hospitality and Tourism Management.

Steven Scott, Pharmacy Practice

Steven A. Scott, PharmD, is an Associate Professor of Pharmacy Practice and Director of Alumni Engagement in the Department of Pharmacy Practice at the Purdue University College of Pharmacy. After two years at the University of Houston, he joined the Purdue faculty on the IUPUI campus in 1982, and moved to the West Lafayette campus after 8 years as faculty in Indianapolis. As a licensed pharmacist, Steve has practiced in pediatrics, adult medicine, and long-term care throughout his career as a practitioner. His service on the University Senate began in 2018 and with subsequent appointments to the Student Affairs, Educational Affairs, Advisory, and Athletic Affairs Committees.

During his 40-plus years as a pharmacy educator, Steve has served the college in numerous roles including both didactic and experiential teaching, admissions, assessment, curriculum development, and as interim Associate Dean. Most recently, his efforts and scholarship have focused on mentoring and the development of students from orientation to graduation and beyond. Steve has been very active in the American Association of Colleges of Pharmacy (AACP) throughout his career, was elected to the AACP Board of Directors for a 6-year term, and served as AACP president in 2017-18.

Steve received both his BS in pharmacy and doctor of pharmacy degrees from Purdue University in 1976 and 1978, respectively, and then completed a hospital pharmacy residency at St. Lawrence Hospital in Lansing, Michigan. Steve and his wife, Cathy, have been married for 45 years and live in West Lafayette. His free time is spent attending his grandchildren's activities, pursuing his love for history through reading, and keeping in touch with hundreds of his former students.

Susan South, Psychological Sciences

Susan South began her academic career at Purdue University in 2008. She was promoted to Associate Professor in 2014 and Full Professor in 2021. She currently serves as the Director of Clinical Training for the Ph.D. program in clinical psychology, which is accredited by two national accrediting bodies, including the American Psychological Association. She has served on the University Senate for three semesters, is currently on the Senate Faculty Affairs Committee, and served as the Chair of the Faculty Compensation and Benefits subcommittee for several years. Past service also includes serving on and chairing the College of Health and Human Sciences Faculty Affairs Committee.

Susan is an internationally recognized researcher who investigates the links between romantic relationship functioning, personality, and psychopathology. She has published over 100 peer-reviewed empirical publications on the assessment of relationship satisfaction, the links between mental illness and relationship distress, gene-environment interplay between relationship distress and mental illness, and gender differences in personality. She has served on the editorial boards of several journals, and she is currently an Associate Editor at the Journal of Personality and Social Psychology. Her current, NIH-funded research examines the links between interpersonal relationships and mild cognitive impairment.

Susan received her undergraduate degree in psychology and graduate degrees (M.A., Ph.D.) in clinical psychology from the University of Virginia. She completed her clinical psychology internship at the Medical University of South Carolina. After a postdoctoral fellowship at the University of Minnesota, Susan came to Purdue for her first faculty position. Susan and her husband, also on the faculty at Purdue, live in West Lafayette and spend their free time chasing after an active Kindergartener and a golden retriever.

Mark Zimpfer, Construction Management Technology

Mark Zimpfer was appointed to the faculty at Purdue University in August of 2016 and was promoted to the rank of Associate Professor of Practice in April of 2022. He has served in a variety of school, college, and university-level committees including: Faculty Senate, Advisory Council, Grievance Committee, Ed Policy Committee, PPI DEI through Engagement Committee, and Faculty Fellow IMPACTX+, in addition to others. Additionally, Mark is involved on numerous boards, including the Advisory Board for the National Association of Homebuilders. In the research field, Mark has been involved with the National Housing Endowment, is a faculty affiliate with the Institute for a Sustainable Future, and is a researcher for the Arequipa NEXUS Institute. All of this has been accomplished while teaching as many as four classes per semester, starting a new conference at Purdue (The Building Academy) with the Indiana Building Commissioner, along with mentoring dozens of students. Mark has also been a construction company owner for the last 26 years and has experience leading a diverse collection of stakeholders to reach successful outcomes.

He has been honored to receive four Excellence in Teaching awards, voted on by students; the National Educator of the Year Award, awarded by NAHB/National Housing Endowment; the John P. Lisack Early-Career in Engagement Award; the Purdue Polytechnic Institute Outstanding Faculty in Engagement; and the Purdue Seed for Success Award, among others. Professor Zimpfer believes in open, direct dialogue that leads to action and looks forward to working with the Senate and the administration to coordinate measurable, meaningful pathways to enhance the Purdue environment for all parties.