

## DEPARTMENT OF CROP AND SOIL SCIENCES

### Departmental Committees

The following committees will act for the faculty in making recommendations for appropriate faculty or administrative action.

**Executive:** *Donn Shilling (chairman), Miguel Cabrera (REI Athens, Graduate Coordinator), Jerry Johnson (REI Griffin), John Beasley (REI Tifton), J. Michael Moore (CSS Extension Coordinator), William Vencill (Undergraduate Coordinator).* This committee will function as an interface between faculty and administration; assist the Head in establishing departmental policies and procedures; and serve a role as part of the CSS Grievance process.

**Awards:** *Miguel Cabrera (chairman), Bill Miller, Wayne Parrott, Jerry Johnson, John Beasley.* This committee will select nominees for faculty and staff awards. Nominators will also be selected by the committee.

**Newsletter:** *Laura Burris (chairman), Gina Rowan, John Beasley, Jerry Johnson, David Radcliffe, Jennifer Simmons, Sara Cates, and representatives from the 3 departmental student clubs (Turf club, Agronomy Club, Agronomy Graduate Student Association).* This committee will have state-wide representation and serve to produce two departmental newsletters annually.

**Information Technology:** *William Vencill (chairman), Miguel Cabrera, David Radcliffe, Clint Waltz, Eric Prostko, Wayne Parrott, Pam Brown, Laura Burris.* This committee will make recommendations regarding policies and procedures and purchases of departmental computer equipment and the departmental website, and will also evaluate needs for specialized teaching equipment. This committee will keep a listing of instruction equipment and its location, as well as the name of the person responsible.

**Greenhouse, Head House, and Seed Building:** *Nick Hill (chairman), Katrien Devos, Kurk Lance, and Bill Miller.* This committee is to allocate greenhouse space and to be alert to necessary maintenance within the complex. Kurk Lance will be under the direct supervision of the department head.

**Miller Building - Safety Committee:** *Miguel Cabrera (chairman), David Radcliffe, John Rema.* This committee is responsible for implementing and maintaining safety regulations and for making suggestions on how to improve the safety and maintenance of laboratories.

**Facilities:** *Nick Hill (chairman), William Vencill, Pam Brown.* This committee studies lab utilization, making assessments of laboratory and office space needs and needs for new facilities that are not covered under one of the four assigned committees. This group will consult with faculty to determine space needs, etc. for new physical plant facilities.

**Plant Sciences Farm Transition:** *Dennis Hancock (chairman), John All, Herb Yeomans, William Vencill, Miguel Cabrera, Joseph Bouton, William Miller, James Noe, Joshua Griffin.* This committee will be responsible for making recommendations as to roadways, erosion control, irrigation facilities, equipment needs, building maintenance and land assignments to specific projects and programs.

**Social:** *Donn Shilling (chairman), Miguel Cabrera, Keith Karnok, Dennis Hancock, Aaron Thompson, Laura Burris, Herb Yeomans, Greg Durham, Pam Brown, and representatives from the 3 departmental student clubs (Turf Club, Agronomy Club, Agronomy Graduate Student Association).* This committee is responsible for planning departmental events.

**Graduate Committee:** *Miguel Cabrera (chairman), Timothy Grey, William Miller, Monique Leclerc, Exofficio: Vivienne Sturgill.* This committee has the responsibility of recommending acceptance of graduate students, policy and guidelines, and dismissal, in addition to those responsibilities assigned by the Graduate School of the University of Georgia.

**Undergraduate Committee:** *William Vencill (chairman, Agricultural Science & Environmental Systems), Keith Karnok (Turfgrass), Aaron Thompson (Environmental Chemistry), Katrien Devos (Applied Biotech/Plant Sciences), Bill Miller (Water and Soil Resources), John Beasley (Agrosystems and Environmental Sciences-Tifton), Mussie Habteselassie (Natural Resource Management - Griffin).* *Members at Large: Vivienne Sturgill and Pam Brown.* The committee will be comprised of representatives from all majors and areas of emphasis. An “at large” member may be added. The primary responsibility of this committee is to manage all aspects of the department’s undergraduate majors and the courses that comprise these majors. This committee is also responsible for recommending scholarship awards, registration, and other factors closely associated with the undergraduate majors in the department.

**Teaching Committee:** *Donn Shilling (chairman), Miguel Cabrera, Bill Vencill, Vivienne Sturgill.* This committee will serve to assist in coordinating all teaching related activities

**DDDI Coordinator:** *J. Michael Moore*

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Although the above committees are directly charged with several responsibilities, they are not operating in an autonomous manner but must, when necessary, consult with all members of faculty and staff. Your cooperation in making their assignments easier is encouraged. Should any member of the faculty or staff see needs or other items that should be called to the attention of these committees, they should feel free to do so. Your willingness to serve on these committees is appreciated very much.

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