

UNIVERSITY OF ILLINOIS URBANA-CHAMPAIGN SENATE
SENATE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE
(Final; Action)

SC.27.03 Election of a Chair to the 2026-2027 Committee on Committees

BACKGROUND

Bylaws Part B.3

... Committee chairs must be elected members of their committees.

Bylaws Part D.1.a.8

The Senate Executive Committee shall:

Nominate members and the **chair of the Committee on Committees** in accordance with *Bylaws*, Part D.6.c.

Bylaws, Part D.6.c.1

Nominations for the Committee on Committees shall be made by the incumbent Senate Executive Committee... Each nomination shall be accompanied by the consent of the nominee. Nominees must be senators at the time the committee term begins.

NOMINATION

The Senate Executive Committee (SEC) nominates the following voting committee member for a one-year term as Chair of Committee on Committees with a chair term expiring **2027**.

A. Eric Kurt, Media Commons Coordinator – AP

A statement of interest from the nominee is included below.

Nominations from the floor must be accompanied by the nominee's willingness to serve if elected and indicate the position to be filled, or the nominee's oral acceptance if present. A statement of interest limited to 150 words is also requested.

Each senator may vote for up to **one nominee**. Cumulative voting is not permitted. The nominee with the highest number of votes will be declared elected.

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STATEMENT OF INTEREST

A. Eric Kurt, Academic Professional (AP)

Media Commons Coordinator – University Library

Eric Kurt has served as an officer of the Council of Academic Professionals (CAP) for the past three years, including two years as Chair, and has also served on the Senate Executive Committee (SEC). In these roles, he has focused on strengthening equity and inclusion for Academic Professionals and ensuring their perspectives are represented in shared governance. He is currently a member of the Ninth Senate Review Commission (SR9), where he contributes to reviewing and improving the structure and work of the Senate's committees. Although his term as Chair of CAP is concluding, he hopes to continue serving as an officer, which would place him in a strong position to communicate efficiently with CAP members about Academic Professional openings on Senate committees that the Committee on Committees is responsible for filling.