

News from the Emory University Senate

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Retiree Health Plan

The University Senate endorsed proposed changes to the Emory retiree health plan that are intended to expand coverage options at a lower cost for faculty and staff retirees. Under the new plan, retirees will now be able to choose from a variety of medical and drug plans from a retiree health benefits exchange. To help employees make the best choice for their needs, location and preferred providers, Emory will provide a "concierge service" and provide an employee subsidy to help pay for the plan. Gray Crouse reported that "almost all retirees would pay less than under the current plan." An overview can be found [here](#).

Maintenance of Public Art

The Senate endorsed a proposal presented by David Schuster, co-chair of the Public Art Committee, to support the upkeep of public art on campus, which includes more than 20 outdoor installations.

Employee Council Report

Employee Council President LaDonna Cherry and President-Elect Anita Yarbrough discussed Employee Council goals, including improved communication, increased employee engagement and more accurate representation within schools and units.

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From the President's Desk

Welcome to the first edition of our newsletter. We hope that this increases communication about Senate activities. In addition, the minutes from these meetings will also be posted on the Senate website for those who would like more detailed information. Please feel free to contact me with any suggestions. I hope all have a safe and happy holiday season!