

Guidance for the Chair of the Department Chairs/School Directors Committee (2025-2026)

Updated, Fall 2025

- During an initial planning meeting, the following discussions should take place:
 - A chair was elected during the Spring 2025 semester. The chair should be able to complete and advance the Watermark workflow. If not, or if the chair changes, email facultyactivitydata@kennesaw.edu.
 - Remind committee members that maintaining confidentiality is a professional obligation of all members.
 - Reviewers should use their KSU-issued devices, their official KSU email, and KSU's Microsoft Office 365 ecosystem (OneDrive, Teams, and SharePoint) to conduct the review process.
 - Set up future meeting times and dates.
 - Faculty members going up for a review should not serve on the committee.
- During the time frame of September 19-October 6, the committee deliberates about promotion and tenure recommendations for Department Chairs/School Directors.
- By October 6, a letter containing the committee's recommendation which includes a detailed statement of their assessment of observed strengths and weaknesses is placed in the portfolio via the digital workflow.
- Voting: Votes of the committee are by secret ballot. The vote tally for and against recommending promotion and/or tenure will be recorded in the digital portfolio workflow (but not names of individuals casting those votes.)
- Nothing in this guidance document should be construed to supersede provisions of the statutes of Kennesaw State University as described in the University and Faculty Handbooks and other materials provided by the Board of Regents of the University System of Georgia.