In March 2014, then-Faculty Senate president Gary Tyson created the Road Scholars Committee:

**Todd Adams**, in Physics;  
now president of the Faculty Senate

**Greg Beaumont**  
Associate Dean of Academic Affairs; Senior Associate Athletic Director for Academics

**Aline Kalbian**, in Religion  
**Dennis Moore**, in English, *chair*  
**Denise Von Glahn**, in Music  
(who has succeeded original committee member Prof. Jane Piper Clendinning, also in Music)

**Margaret Wright-Cleveland**, Director of the Office of Faculty Recognition

Each academic year, this committee organizes and stages presentations for non-specialist audiences by outstanding scholars from other institutions in the Atlantic Coast Conference. The committee solicits input on prospective speakers; selects the speakers and coordinates with appropriate units to host or co-host the visit; and arranges for the venue and time for each speaker’s visit, scheduling each close to the date of an athletic event involving the speaker’s institution, like so:

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<td><strong>Dr. Nancy MacLean</strong></td>
<td>Program in Women’s Studies</td>
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<td><strong>Dr. Kathy A. Perkins</strong></td>
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<td><strong>Dr. Deborah Parker</strong></td>
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<td><strong>University of Pittsburgh</strong>, and</td>
<td><a href="https://isl.fsu.edu/">https://isl.fsu.edu/</a>, which also scheduled a public panel featuring Dr. Schulz the next morning at a local church</td>
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College of Arts and Sciences
Syracuse University

February 2017
Dr. Michael Garval
Professor of French; Director, M.A. in Liberal Studies Program
North Carolina State University

Dr. Jennifer Glass
Assistant Professor, Biogeochemistry
Georgia Institute of Technology

October 2016
Prof. Todd Anderson
Assistant Professor, Printmaking
Clemson University

Dr. Simeon Ilesanmi
Washington M. Wingate Professor
Wake Forest University

April 2016
Dr. Edmund Edmonds
Associate Dean, Notre Dame Law School, and Director, Kresge Law Library

March 2016
Dr. Joel Stitzel
Center for Injury Biomechanics, Virginia Tech-Wake Forest

February 2016
Dr. Jocelyn Neal
Professor of Music, Adjunct Professor of American Studies, UNC-Chapel Hill

November 2015
Dr. Kenneth Himes
Associate Professor of Theology
Boston College

October 2015
Dr. Kenneth Goodman
Director, University of Miami’s Institute for Bioethics and Health Policy, and Co-Director, UM’s Ethics Program

April 2015
Dr. Lina Insana
Associate Professor of Italian
University of Pittsburgh

January 2015
Dr. Catherine Fosl
Associate Professor of History, University of Louisville, and Director, Anne Braden Institute for Social Justice Research

November 2014
Dr. Craig Volden
Professor of Public Policy and Politics,
University of Virginia’s Frank Batten School of Leadership and Public Policy

Department of English
Department of Modern Languages and Linguistics and the Dedman School of Hospitality
Department of Earth, Ocean and Atmospheric Sciences
Department of Religion and Center for the Advancement of Human Rights
College of Law and School of Information
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Department of Religion and Center for the Advancement of Human Rights
Department of Scientific Computing
College of Music
Department of Religion and Center for the Advancement of Human Rights
Center for Innovative Collaboration in Medicine and Law
Department of Modern Languages and Linguistics
Women’s Studies
Political Science

women’s tennis
men’s basketball
track and field
football
baseball
women’s tennis
soccer
football
baseball
women’s basketball
football
October 2014  Dr. Sandra Gustafson  
Professor of English and Concurrent Program in Literature, within football  
Professor, American Studies, Notre Dame the Department of English  

September 2014  Dr. Shaundra B. Daily  
Assistant Professor, Clemson University’s Departments of Dance and football  
School of Computing; joint appointment, Computer Science  
Dept. of Engineering and Science Education  

A note on the committee’s history:  
Professor Tyson contacted me in December 2013 -- having noticed that I had been FSU’s faculty member whom Clemson University had invited to participate in their “Humanities Road Scholars” series that Fall -- to ask if I thought we might develop our own series along these lines. As I told him, Peggy Wright-Cleveland and I had already been comparing notes about just such a possibility, and when he asked if I would chair and help populate a Faculty Senate committee that would adapt this model, I was happy to agree. My committee colleagues and I’ve been acknowledging the fact that we learned about the idea from Clemson, where my counterpart in their English Department was emphasizing that it’s not all about athletics. Hear hear!  

-- Dennis Moore, http://www.english.fsu.edu/faculty/dennis-moore