

Faculty Senate Executive Committee Meeting
November 8, 2017
567 Capen Hall

Attendance: attached at end.

All proceedings of the meeting recorded and can be found on the UB FSEC Box.

Meeting called to order by Chair & Presiding Officer, Dr Phil Glick at 3.00pm. He also brought to everyone's attention that the recorder did not record the meeting of the previous FS meeting. Attempts to rescue it was ongoing. Attempts will be made to see that it never occurs again. He thanked Mike Hatton for filling in the previous week.

Agenda for 11/08/2017 was accepted unanimously.

Minutes of 11/01/2017 was accepted by majority with 2 abstaining from voting (Fred Dolores and Diane Elze).

Chairs report:

- a. Lindsay Allen's father passed away last week, James J Allen, who was an adjunct instructor at the law school. Mr. Allen had a favorite bench he enjoyed sitting on near the Law school before and after he taught. His family would like to put a plaque on this bench in Mr. Allen's memory. Dr Glick has asked UB development to create a fund for such a purpose. Details will be shared with the FSEC and the FS as they are received.
- b. Dr Glick mentioned that he would like to have a brain storming sessions with the FSEC to discuss topics of interest that we can develop, to discuss at future FSEC meeting or ask our FS Committees to investigate or use as a way to invite in future presenters to the FSEC and the FS meeting for the remainder of the year.
- c. UB FS Shared Governance Award committee has been formed and the committee filled. The committee will be charged and have

- their first meeting before the end of the semester. The award will be presented at our annual March Shared governance Day Event.
- d. The GESS (Gender equity Salary Study) Committee has completed all constituent outreach and met with the budget committee. They are expected to complete data analysis shortly and report to the FSEC and FS at the beginning of the spring semester.
 - e. The copy of the FS Handbook is available in pdf form on the UB FS website. The handbook is being digitalized. The Chair encouraged all members to bring to his attention any sections they felt appropriate for consideration of revision.
 - f. This week, Prof Glick and Dominic Licata were invited to attend a meeting with a concerned group of students and the UBF to discuss their investment strategy with regard to developing a fossil free investment strategy. Ed Schneider was there representing the UBF. More meetings will follow.
 - g. This week the buffalo news reported about the proper use of NYS public meeting law 105 and the use of executive sessions. The article's focus was on the UB council. Today our parliamentarian will give a reports about the FSEC's use of executive sessions.
 - h. Yesterday was election day in the country. Although all the final results are not yet in, the voters of NYS voted no to having a Constitutional Convention.
 - i. Dr Glick mentioned a program on Thursday November 9th: entitled: "MLK @ Buffalo 50 yrs later. It is being sponsored by Teri miller, Vice Provost for Inclusive Excellence and Austin booth, Vice Provost of university libraries. It will be at the Student Union Theater, north campus. There will be several speakers, but at least one of them actually attended the 1967 speech by Dr Martin Luther King sponsored the UBSA at kleinhans Concert hall.

Diane Elze voiced her opinion that the email exchange and the resolution going to the senate was making her uncomfortable because the Provost had said the previous week that it was an ethical issue for him. She mentioned that .to advocate the issue going forward was disrespectful and undermined her trust of the process and actually seemed like a violation of the process.

Kenneth Dauber: The process was designed to remove the contention that moving the resolution to the FS was going to create. What Phil sent to the Provost was a legal opinion and the proposal Phil presented was to make the issue go away to the satisfaction of all involved. What the Provost did was to make a private letter public sent by Phil and that was a violation of trust.

Diane Elze: What is legal is not always ethical.

Marina Tsianou: What is ethical? A step need to be taken backward and then consider was ethical since the process was not followed by the School of Architecture.

Beth Tauke: The Adhoc committee misinterpreted the tenure track schedule and not the policies of the School of Architecture. The mentoring reports are not to be tied to the hiring/promotion decision not is it practiced that it is the case. Why the nuclear decision was used based on this flimsy evidence. Why anyone would take the decision to move forward when it will only brand the person involved makes no sense.

Presidents report: The State of the University address was given on October 6th. The University continues to rise in excellence and the Philanthropy campaign is going on in the silent phase and will be made public later hopefully by next semester when 70% has been obtained. The goals of this campaign is to address three critical goals: to invest in Faculty, increasing student scholarship and improving the physical amenities to improve teaching and research.

We had the 12th Annual celebration of recognizing our Faculty and Staff excellence and commended their achievements.

He attended the AAU meeting of the Presidents last month. A major discussion item was free speech on campus and Expenditure and security issue is an important issue and also one of expenditure but we have to emphasize the importance of free speech in our campus. There is a book by UCI Chancellor-Campus free speech and a Discussion by President of the University of Florida – \$60,000 was spent for security, Berkeley spent a similar amount, a matter that needs to be seriously looked at and discussed. Terri Miller has been doing a fantastic job initiating discussions with students and keeping the conversation going.

He also attended the news conference regarding DACA along with CA and NY Senators. Three DACA students spoke about their experiences. Our Chancellor also attended as well.

Next week Marie Chu Coleman, the AAU President will be visiting UB for critical conversations program which is free for everyone. She will focus on research University for the 21st century. She is an accomplished administrator and scientist and invitations have been sent to all faculty and staff.

Last month a 4 million dollar gift was announced for sustainability Dr Stephen Still is an undergraduate from UB. He is also on the advisory council and Foundation.

Groundbreaking ceremony for the UB Athletic Field house.

Medical Center, downtown campus is partially open and few classes have already begun there.

Phil Glick asked the President about security for controversial speakers. Why the organization is not asked to pay for it and the University pays. The President responded that unless policies are in force one cannot be partial in these decisions. He spoke about the white/black bathroom issue and the anti-abortion meeting issue. Controversial is ones definition. It's a national issue and everyone is trying to learn from what is going on around us and one needs to look at our policies.

Phil Glick asked about the Chancellor. President gave an introduction: She is an Electrical Engineer from UB in chip design, Post-doc in Ireland, Faculty in Colorado, Dean at Duke, Provost at John Hopkins, served as undersecretary at the Department of Energy, she is a venture capitalist in sustainable energy and has a tenured appointment at UB. She is still understanding the budget process in NY and is negotiating philanthropist money through her connections to match the monies being raised by the campuses for Faculty endowment. She wants the campuses to become energy neutral.

Provost report: He spoke about the administrative and education side of the different portfolios. There is a merging the graduate and undergraduate academic affairs and therefore undertook a consolidation process. He distributed an educational affairs organization tree which is on the Box. The Educational collaboration committee is managed by Shawn is a separate portfolio that works with the Deans when they develop courses across decanal lines understanding the courses being developed, what the conflicts might be – it's a facilitation committee.

Parliamentarian report: Slides are on the Box.

As the bylaws are being rewritten, it will have to deal with standing orders. There will be an expectation for openness of thought and discussion but there will be instances when confidential sessions will be needed that is where the executive session will come in. In these private sessions no minutes will be kept, members only will attend, approved by majority, will have to maintain confidentiality otherwise they can be subject to disciplinary action. Executive session is a closed meeting. There should be a definition within the bylaws. Phil Glick mentioned that he had checked the NY State Public Meeting Law 105 which was very prescriptive to avoid secret meetings. Are we using it properly? Jim Bassett responded that the FSEC is within the NY laws.

Unfinished business: When Dr Kay was here last week, Drs Basaran and Zubrow suggested that UBSFEC consider endorsing the SUNYFS charter school resolution. Dominic Licata made a presentation – Two weeks prior the SUNYFS adopted a resolution unanimously condemning the SUNY Board Of Trustees decision to adopt the decision of its committee to accept the SUNY Charter School resolution lowering the standard teachers would face - field hours has been reduced the field hours from 100 to 40 and increased building time to 160 hours without even the presence of an instructor/instructions. There is a shortage of teachers and hope to make the hiring process easier. However, the NY speaker of assembly, Chancellor of State regions, State and National Teachers association are all opposed to this resolution. To do this before the board of trustees meet again on November 15th. There was a memorandum from Chair Joseph Bellick to the members with the details of the necessary qualification for teachers certification. Dual certification required only 40 hours from 175 hours.

Motion to proceed with the discussion was moved unanimously.

In response to Jean-Jacques T. it was decided to send the resolution to the FS as it allows scaling the discussion to 100 members. We need to avoid redundancy. The FSEC takes decision on matters that are time sensitive, otherwise it goes to the FS. It can be brought back to the FSEC if there is no quorum in the Full Senate.

The FS needs to endorse the charter school resolution since it impacts the Graduate School of Education and it will lead to less qualified teachers in NY.

Phil asked whether FSEC wanted to endorse the resolution and communicate to Gwen Kay and add it onto the Agenda for the FS

Unanimously the FSEC voted to endorse the SUNY FS resolution on charter schools.

The FSEC voted to move the charter resolution to the FS.

Beth T, suggested that someone from School of Education should make the case to the FS as to why this is important and why we are proceeding in this direction and what is the university policy as to the teacher qualification.

It was decided to be added under new business: Resolution to adopt SUNY charter resolution.

Agenda for 11/14/2017 FS meeting was presented.

Beth Tauke brought forward a motion to delay the second reading of the censure resolution to the spring semester – Feb 20, 2018 meeting.

Quorum is 12, there were 17 votes. The second reading has to come after the first reading. Therefore a motion to suspend the rules (Feb 20th meeting) failed. 9-yay; 8-nay. Needed $2/3^{\text{rd}} = 11.5$

Beth T made a motion to switch the order of the second readings of the censure resolution and the rescinding motion at the FS. Failed by Yay-7; Nay - 10.

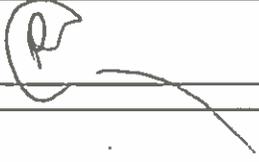
The FS meeting adjourned at 4:33pm.



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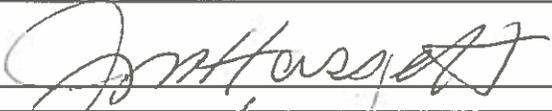
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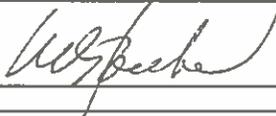
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Jessy Alexander

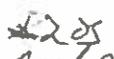
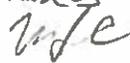
PARLIAMENTARIAN:

James Hassett 

ARCHITECTURE & PLANNING:

Beth Tauke 

ARTS & SCIENCES:

Sampson Blair 
Michael Cowen 
Kenneth Dauber 
Jean-Jacques Thomas

DENTAL MEDICINE:

Michael Hatton

EDUCATIONAL OPPORTUNITY CENTER:

Chris Yuen

ENGINEERING & APPLIED SCIENCES:

Deborah Chung 
Marina Tsianou 

GRADUATE SCHOOL OF EDUCATION:

Samuel Abramovich 

LAW:

James Milles

MANAGEMENT:

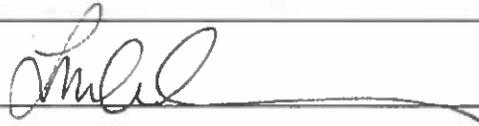
Jurriaan de Jong 

MEDICINE & BIOMEDICAL SCIENCES:

Peter Elkin
Robert Miletich 

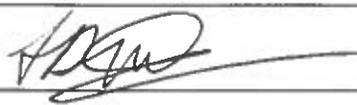
NURSING:

Laura Anderson



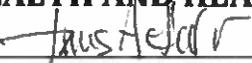
PHARMACY:

Fred Doloresco



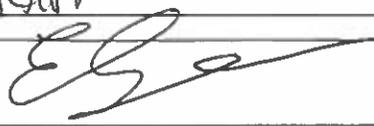
PUBLIC HEALTH AND HEALTH PROFESSIONS:

Jim Lenker



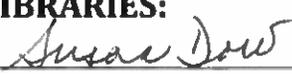
SOCIAL WORK:

Diane Elze



UNIVERSITY LIBRARIES:

Susan Dow



SUNY SENATORS:

Cemal Basaran

Philip Glick

Kathleen Kielar

Ezra Zubrow

PRESIDENT OF THE UNIVERSITY AT BUFFALO:

Satish Tripathi

PROVOST OF THE UNIVERSITY AT BUFFALO:

Charles Zukoski

PROFESSIONAL STAFF SENATE:

Domenic Licata

COUNCIL OF ADVOCACY AND LEADERSHIP (COAL):

Mike Brown

INVITED GUESTS:

OTHERS IN ATTENDANCE:

Lindsay Allen