



## Minutes of the Executive Committee – APPROVED

October 4, 2018

**Convener:** Dom Licata

**Officers Present:** Dom Licata, Tim Tryjankowski, Hugh Jarvis

**Executive Members Present:** Cheryl Bailey, Kevin Baron, Christopher Cheung, Dan Kelly, Benjamin Poremski, Kevin Westling, Michael Yates (for Don Erb)

**Executive Members Absent:** Charlie Baxter, Mike Brown (COAL), Don Erb (sent alt.), Lisa Pano, Phil Glick, Tracey McNerney, Lisa Pano

**Members/Guests:** list alphabetically

**Parliamentarian:** Joshua Wallace (absent)

**Staff:** Lindsay Allen

**Recorder:** Hugh Jarvis

**Meeting called to order** by Dom Licata at 2:34 p.m.

**Quorum reached:** 5 senators and 3 officers present.

Supporting documents on Box:

<https://buffalo.box.com/s/m3vq6fkugOp8slrei3zvft5msnlswmr0>

### PRESENTATION OF AGENDA – Dom Licata

- **Motion to adopt Agenda: Dan Kelly (Michael Yates). Passed.**

### REVIEW OF PAST MINUTE(S) – Dom Licata

- **Motion to approve Minutes from September 13, 2018: Benjamin Poremski (Christopher Cheung). Passed.**

### CHAIR'S REPORT – Dom Licata

- Comments included
  - Last senate meeting: Community Panel and campus tour were very successful.
  - PSS elections: need to make collection roster of current professional staff and election process more efficient.
  - SUNY Faculty Senate: fall topics including change of Columbus Day to Indigenous Peoples Day, campus lactations paces, increasing student and faculty diversity, gender neutral pronouns, campus ethics committees, a rubric for campus shared governance incl. sign-off for academic changes by CGL's before they reach SUNY Provosts, revisit a graduate student senate, desire to increase online education, food insecurity & campus food pantries

- last UB Council Meeting student concerns, including TA living stipend, possibility of a NFTA partnership (discontinue UB Stampede), food scarcity, need for UB Breathe Free enforcement
  - Upcoming meeting with Despina Stratigakos (Inclusive Excellence), including partnering with their office and minority FSA
  - SUNY Shared Governance Award - motion requested
    - Outstanding examples: FS GESS report, PSS landscape improvement resolution, SA transportation / late night shuttle solution, Breathe Free UB collaboration
    - Benjamin Poremski, point of personal privilege: questions value of late night shuttle example since it gave no regard for University Heights (this example was suggested by Mike Brown).
    - **Motion to endorse application for this award by Dom Licata, Phil Glick and Mike Brown: Dan Kelly (Kevin Baron). Passed.**
  - Congratulations to Sean Sullivan on his retirement after 39 years at UB.
  - Upcoming meetings:
    - SUNY Fall Plenary Oct 18-20 at Binghamton
    - next Senate Meeting Oct 25 in Student Union
    - SUNY Voices Conference Nov 8-9 in Syracuse
- **Motion to receive: Benjamin Poremski (Kevin Baron). Passed.**

#### VICE-CHAIR'S REPORT – Tim Tryjankowski

- Comments including: budget and committee acceptance.
- Committee announcements: website updated for PSS & related awards; Jan 9 is deadline for chancellor's award; recreation cmt seeking ways to provide discounts to staffers like Athletics does now; elections cmt seeking efficiencies; website seeks new members and pictures;
- **Motion to receive: Kevin Baron (Cheryl Bailey). Passed.**

#### SECRETARY'S REPORT – Hugh Jarvis

- Six senators have lost status due to poor attendance (bylaws, missed two consecutive meetings):
  - Kevin Baron (Area I)
  - Beth Ann Crvelin (Area I)
  - Tom Dzimira (Area I)
  - Conor Flynn (Area V)
  - Arvind Ramaswamy (Area II)
  - Ryan Taughrin (Area II)
- Discussion: we should consider call-ins for EC at least (WebEx), desire to see them continue, proposal for EC members to call them to learn their willingness to be reinstated.
- **Motion for reinstatement of all six on condition they affirm their desire to attend: Dan Kelly (Benjamin Poremski). Passed.**
- EC members agreed to contact their area senators.

## UNFINISHED BUSINESS

None.

## NEW BUSINESS

Brainstorming ideas from August senate meeting – Dom Licata

Further consideration of select items from the list:

- Roadshows
  - Already occurring under aegis of the officers.
  - Professional Development cmt is considering a lunch club / mentoring
- Retiree engagement, connect with Rev UP and Emeritus Center (Anne Bolinski).
  - They are very engaged and keen. Need to be included.
  - They don't have a listserv... PSS could set that up for them.
  - We could invite them to send a non-voting rep to meetings.
- Student engagement
  - Attendance by COAL rep is weak.
  - We could outreach to the broader associations for participation.
- Recreation ideas all well in hand with that committee.
  - Wellness Master Plan is being formed by Facilities.
- Facilities issues
  - "Campus 311"
  - Feeling by some that reports fall within cracks esp. when in areas like Commons.
  - Could we have labeled representation on Campus Safety Cmt and similar bodies.

Outcomes of discussion:

- Should pass along all of the ideas to committee chairs.
- Three noteworthy areas:
  1. Retiree engagement
  2. Outreach to current members and students
  3. Wellness

**Motion to Adjourn:** Dan Kelly (Michael Yates). Passed. 4:25 p.m.

*Attendance sign in sheet(s) housed in the PSS office.*

*Meeting audio recording available in the PSS office.*