

Minutes of the Professional Staff Senate Executive Committee

Thursday, April 6, 2017

Convener: Domenic Licata, Chair

Present: Fran Fiscus, Philip Glick, James Gordon, Chris Keough, Kesha Lanier, Domenic Licata,

David Love, Nora Renda, Debra Stamm, Christine Stumm, Tim Tryjankowski.

Absent: Susan Buttacio, Geraldine Kremer, Lisa Kulka, Jenifer Lawrence, Susan Ott, Sarah Piraino,

Ryan Taughrin, Debra Stamm, Rachel Stern.

Guests: Lindsay Allen, Senator Janiece Jankowski, Vanessa Dwyer, Alexa Ringer, Aiden Powell,

Tanya Aho.

Recorder: Lindsay Allen

Meeting **called to order** by PSS Chair Licata at 2:39pm. 9 Executive Committee members, 2 Officers, and 6 guests present.

Agenda accepted, passed with no debate. First – Senator Nora Renda; Second – Senator Chris Keough

Approval of **minutes** from **March 2**nd meeting changed/amended by PSS Chair Licata. First – Senator Kesha Lanier; Second – Senator Chris Keough. Changes accepted and passed with no debate. Minutes accepted and passed with no debate.

Chair's Report

PSS Chair Licata presented his report.

Link to UB Box: https://buffalo.box.com/s/sc192jegaqvsey1117jkb12cckqhnu0h

Report will be also posted on PSS website.

PSS Chair Licata stated that he has reached out to Secretary Sarah Piraino, and does not know when she will return to her duties as PSS Secretary.

Also that Senator Chris Keough was present at 3/2 meeting. Vice Chair David Love noted his attendance.

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Motion to accept the Chair's Report – 1st, Senator Nora Renda; 2nd, Senator Fran Fiscus.

Vice Chair's Report

PSS Vice Chair Love presented his report.

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Motion to accept **PSS Vice Chair David Love's Report** – Accepted.

Budget Oversight Committee

Vice Chair Love presented a report. Susan Ott is condensing the Handbook; charge was never voted on and mission does not align with charge; Senator Sue Ott is working on a mission statement for this committee.

Motion to accept the Vice Chair's Report – 1st, Senator Nora Renda; 2nd, Senator Chris Keough.

Resolution from Fossil Free UB - Vanessa Dwyer, Alexa Ringer, Aiden Powell

Chair Licata invited student leaders to discuss their resolution.

Students presented their resolution, asked PSSEC for support; the GSA has endorsed this resolution. 3 demands made on PSSEC (see Resolution on UBBox). Main goal – demand transparency from UBF activity; want PSS senators to support the desire for such transparency, and divestment of UBF, in fossil fuels.

Much debate occurred and it was decided that more information is needed before the EC could vote to accept.

Motion was made to postpone the discussion/vote.

Action Items:

PSS Representation on FS IT Committee – when are the open dates to join.

Contact senators (by area) with attendance issues – Chair Domenic Licata will provide list via email.

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Next meeting: Thursday, May 4th, 2017 - Fossil Free UB will return with resolution

Motion to adjourn meeting by PSS Chair Licata, motion accepted.