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FACULTY SENATE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE March 23, 2016

CHAIR:

Philip Glick (excused)

SECRETARY:

Cynthia Tysick

ARCHITECTURE & PLANNING:

Ernest Sternberg

ARTS & SCIENCES:

Alex Anas Michael Cowen

Stephen Dyson

Jean-Jacques Thomas (absent)

TBD

DENTAL MEDICINE:

Michael Hatton

ENGINEERING & APPLIED SCIENCES:

To be assigned

GRADUATE SCHOOL OF EDUCATION:

Lilliam Malave (excused)

PUBLIC HEALTH & HEALTH

PROFESSIONS:

Jim Lenker

LAW:

Matt Steilen

MANAGEMENT:

Larry Sanders (excused)

MEDICINE & BIOMEDICAL SCIENCES:

Michael Chaskes (absent)

Peter Elkin

Richard Gronostajski

Gabriela Popescu (excused)

Charles Wiles

NURSING:

Grace Dean

PHARMACY:

Fred Doloresco

SOCIAL WORK:

Robert Keefe

UNIVERSITY LIBRARIES:

Glendora Johnson-Cooper

SUNY SENATORS:

Cemal Basaran

Ezra Zubrow (excused)

Phil Glick (excused)

Heather Montague

PARLIAMENTARIAN:

James Hassett (absent)

GUESTS:

Charles Zukoski, Provost

Sharon Nolan-Weiss, Diversity and Inclusion

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1. Minutes of 3/9/16 approved.

2. Provost's Report

- Attended topping off ceremony at Medical School building. Governor was on hand with nothing but praise for UB and Buffalo.
- Attended rally at the Student Union to honor UB Basketball Men's and Women's teams MAC win and NCAA presence.
- Communities of Excellence
 - Genome, the Environment and the Microbiome (GEM)
 - 1. Debuted their Biological Art Studio in Cooke/Hochstetter
 - 2. Created 3 UB Seminar courses
 - 3. Working on Genomic Literacy curriculum for Middle and High school students)
 - Global Health Equity (GHE)
 - Group made a trip to Marruda India to lay the groundwork for a study abroad opportunity
 - 2. Currently creating undergraduate and graduate courses
 - 3. Becoming involved in the local refugee community
 - Sustainable Manufacturing and Advanced Robotic Technologies (SMART)
 - 1. Created a graduate certificate in robotics
 - 2. Planning undergraduate minors
 - 3. Launching a Coursera MOOC on advanced robotics with the help of Open SUNY
 - 4. Created Digital Manufacturing and Design Innovation Institute (DMDII)
- Honors and Awards:
 - As part of the SUNY Excels Investment and Performance Fund, UB has received \$1.3 million each in Empire Innovation funding to recruit senior faculty for UB RENEW and the Department of Biomedical Engineering. For more information,
 - http://www.buffalo.edu/ubreporter/stories.host.html/content/shared/university/news/ub-reporter-articles/stories/2016/03/suny-faculty-awards.detail.html
 - Victoria Wolcott, Professor of History, received a prestigious National Endowment for the Humanities Fellowship for Spring 2016 to support her research on The Utopian Strain in the Long Civil Rights Movement.
 - Paras Prasad, SUNY Distinguished Professor of Chemistry, Physics, Medicine and Electrical Engineering and executive director of the Institute for Lasers, Photonics and Biophotonics, has been named the 2016 recipient of the Gold Medal from SPIE, the international society for optics and photonics. This is the society's highest honor, awarded to just one individual each year. For more information, see: http://www.buffalo.edu/ubreporter/stories/2016/03/prasad-spiegold.html
 - Robert Genco, SUNY Distinguished Professor of Oral Biology, Periodontics and Microbiology, received the 2016 American Association for Dental Research (AADR) Distinguished Scientist Award. This award is only given to one recipient every two years. See more here:
 - http://www.buffalo.edu/ubreporter/stories/2016/03/genco-distinguished-scientist.html
 - Deborah Raines, Associate Professor of Nursing, received the 2016 Elsevier Leading Stars in Education (ELSIE) Award for Excellence in Clinical Education.

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Given by an academic publisher of medical and scientific literature, this award recognizes outstanding nurse educators who are committed to using inventive teaching strategies to improve student and program outcomes. See more here: http://www.buffalo.edu/ubreporter/working/obituaries.host.html/content/shared/university/news/ub-reporter-articles/briefs/2016/01/kudos_raines_elsie.detail.html

 Paul Gollnick, Professor of Biological Sciences, has been elected as a Fellow of the American Academy of Microbiology. The Academy is the honorific group within the American Society of Microbiology, the world's largest and oldest life sciences organization.

Questions for the Provost

- What ever happened with the Textbook Resolution passed by the FS last semester?
 The Provost indicated that Scott Weber's office is working on it.
- We had discussion a couple of months ago about security on campus and training.
 Specifically about building security. Provost referred the group to UB online training.
- There was a question about the credits split amongst departments when two faculty members team teach a course together. The Provost replied that there should be an answer shortly because we now have a way to split credits across units.
- 3. Proposal to amend bylaws to appoint Professional Staff Senate Chair and Council of Advocacy and Leadership (COAL) Chair to FSEC as ex-officio without out vote. Accepted will go to FS for 2 readings and a vote
- 4. Committee Report on Faculty Engagement. Accepted

5. Agenda for Faculty Senate meeting of April 5, 2016. Approved Meeting adjourned at 4:15pm Submitted by Cynthia Tysick, Secretary to the Faculty Senate 4/5/2016

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Report to the Faculty Senate Executive Committee

Submitted on 3/23/2016 by Michael Hatton

Faculty Senate Committee on Faculty Engagement	
procedures for engaging all UB faculty faculty constituency.	nittee shall review, evaluate, and recommend to the UB Faculty Senate policies and in meaningful Senate work and for ensuring the responsiveness of the Senate to its Metcalf, Ophelia Morey, Harvey Palmer, Gabriela Popescu, Xuefeng Ren,
Kristin Stapleton Report Date:	March 23, 2016
Meeting History (meeting dates, co 1/16/15, 2/24/15, 3/22/15, 5/11/15,	 onference calls, major discussions): 5/29/15, 11/27/15, 12/4/15, 2/5/16, 3/4/16
Major Objectives:	1) develop strategies to better engage all senators in governance 2) Our goal is to engage in outreach to faculty to learn more about their interests in the Senate, including what might encourage more involvement, what areas of involvement they are most interested in, concerns or barriers to increased involvement, what additional information they would like, and what particular concerns or interests might increase diversity of involvement (in age, rank, gender, race, viewpoint, discipline, other otherwise). The committee will recommend steps for increasing faculty participation and leadership.
Emerging Objectives:	Assist in developing a Faculty survey with the Senate President that will allow for better practices by all who serve UB Faculty Senate
Potential Work Products or Milestones for Completion of Objectives:	Our Committee developed a New Senator guideline which is available to all to help in orientation to the Senate's processes and business practices
Timeline for Completion of Objectives:	Survey to be operational by Fall Semester, 2016
Specific actions requiring FSEC Approval;	None
FSEC Comments:	

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Dr. Glick is proposing an amendment to the Faculty Senate Charter to add two new members to the FSEC.

This will amend Article VI section 1B of the Charter to:

- 1. Executive Committee of the Senate
- A. There shall be an Executive Committee of the Senate.
- B. Composition. The Executive Committee shall be composed of the following:
 - 1. Representatives elected by and from the Senators of the several electoral units;
 - 2. The Senators elected to the University Faculty Senate of the State University of New York;
 - The officers of the Senate as provided in Paragraph D of this section;
 - 4. The immediate past Chair and immediate past Secretary of the Faculty Senate who shall serve ex officio without vote for a term of one year immediately following the expiration of their terms in office;
 - The President and Provost who shall serve ex officio without vote.
 - The Chair of the UB Professional Staff Senate who shall serve ex officio without vote.
 - The Chair of the Council of Advocacy and Leadership (COAL) who shall serve ex officio without vote.

Changes in Red Type

Currently the FSEC can invite whoever they choose to the meetings for informational purposes. This change will give the right to attendance to these individual in perpetuity or until the Charter is revised. The proposed amendment is below.

Proposed amendment to the Faculty Senate Charter to add new FSEC members.

Whereas, The FS is dedicated to the concept of "Shared Governance" and would like to more inclusive in it's discussions and deliberations;

Resolved, That Article VI section 1B of the Charter should be amended to include

- 6. The Chair of the UB Professional Staff Senate who shall serve ex officio without vote.
- 7. The Chair of the Council of Advocacy and Leadership (COAL) who shall serve ex officio without vote.