

Faculty Senate Executive Committee Meeting Minutes May 1, 2019, 3 - 4:30pm, 567 Capen Hall

Attendance: Attached at end.

All proceedings of the meeting was recorded and uploaded on UB Box.

Meeting was called to order by Chair Dr Phil Glick at 3.00pm

Agenda: The agenda was accepted unanimously.

Minutes of 4/24/2019 was approved and accepted unanimously.

Chair's report:

Obituary: None

SUNY UFS SENATE seat

The SUNY UFS has notified UB that Professor Cemal Basaran's term will be over at the end of this semester; he may run again for another term. The election committee will be conducting a request for nominations and an election before the end of the spring semester.

SUNY Libraries Consortium negotiates with Elsevier

SUNY UFS President Kay has informed the UB FS that the SUNY Libraries Consortium has begun negotiating with Elsevier to maintain access to the Science Direct product. The current SUNY contract comes up for renewal in December 2019. The SUNY Libraries Consortium, in collaboration with UFS and the SUNY Provost's Office, hosted a town hall meeting on Monday April 29, 2PM in the Buffalo Room ~ 40 people attended. The meeting described the state of negotiations. The current contract ends in 2019. Elsevier is asking \$9.1 M for the following yr. The plan forward is to pay for access on a per article basis. SUNY central library administration was looking for input from the UB library users.

Donation of bags to VA

VA has requested surplus canvas bags for a May event for the vets at the VA.

Remembering victims of Violence

A lone gunman entered a synagogue at Chabad of Poway, about 25 miles north of San Diego, killed one person and injured two people at that house of worship.

Trystan Andrew Terrell, 22, entered a classroom, shot and killed 2 students and injured 4 students last week at the University of North Carolina, Charlotte.

In line with these incidents, Chair Glick reiterated that all need to be intolerant to bigotry and hate speech of any kind. Secondly, one need to be aware of how to respond if such an event were to happen on our campus.

Holocaust Remembrance Day:

For Yom Hashoah, Holocaust Remembrance Day, names will be read on campus of 6M people who died from 10:00 AM-3:00 PM. All are welcome to participate. For security reasons this event has been moved from the Hillel of Buffalo offices in the UB Commons to the UB Student union.

Department and degree of Jewish thought;

On Tuesday, the first 4 undergraduates graduated with a BA in Jewish Thought. The Chair thanked the Provost and Gordy and Gretchen Gross for making this possible.

Next FSEC meeting:

The May 8th FSEC meeting will be held at UB stadium, team meeting room. It will be President Tripathi's special annual meeting of the faculty.

President: Not present

Provost:

SUNY online:

Provost Zukoski visited and met with Todd Laursen, SUNY Provost and discussed SUNY online, which SUNY expects to/is pushing to start this fall. They manage 64 campuses and individual campus culture is an important aspect of this effort, so the Provost conveyed insights from the UB perspective. SUNY is seeing this platform as a means to help students, to help institutions that might not have a capacity to teach, to build a backend operation, as a platform to attract students, opportunity to unbundle the degree such as GenEd and to conduct large classes/sessions and thereby bend the expenses. SUNY would maintain their services at the cost of 30c on the tuition dollar. The Provost enlightened SUNY that in UB it costs 70c on the dollar to deliver the courses which means it would null the ability to run the University and secondly

that there is a lot of competition. We are major players on online courses and are highly rated but have no courses with 1000 students that SUNY is aiming for. SUNY is trying to understand the implications such as quality control, effect on enrollment for seated students, workload, and campuses will teach the courses but the decision of who is doing it is still decisions in the making.

During subsequent discussions, the FSEC asked about where the degree would be from, whether the courses would be taught by outsourcing and the multiple campuses farming the same course and the Provost responded that the culture was changing and it's right now in the exploring space.

Vice Provost for University Libraries

Search for Vice Provost for University Libraries is moving forward. A list has been finalized to bring the candidates to the campus. There will be open forums with the candidates Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday at 2pm.

Department of Jewish thought:

For naming departments, advice is sought from the FS. The Dean has to justify the name of choice to other Deans, so that no conflicts would arise. The role and responsibility of the FS is advisory in this space and the FS advice on this particular topic was that it was not a good idea. However, the advice was received and then the decision was made.

GSA stipends:

The FS has voted to move forward with the resolution to pay the GS more. Once the FS second reading is done the memo will reach the Provost requesting to form a committee of faculty students and administrators to determine the principles and practices for the stipends and what the levels of the stipends should be. A committee needs to be appointed and charged. This leads to the roles and responsibilities which then resides with the Deans and Chairs. The Provost put forward his thoughts on this aspect: 2 approaches can be taken (1) Does the committee align themselves with the decision by the faculty and students that there should be an increase in the GS living wage, if yes, This will then be passed onto the Deans to work with that decision. (2) a lot of conversation revolved around the roles and responsibilities of the students, RA, TA and GAs who are employees with wages and part of the union: where do the

budget come from – the research or academic budget? It impinges on the questions of - How are students being trained, what are their career paths, what is the future of PhD-in UB, in academics, industry, NGOs and the enrollment storm (associated with societal changes), which is a deep conversation that the faculty, senate and administration needs to be engaged in. So, a more in depth process with Provost, Deans and Faculty to move forward

Discussion ensued which is on UB Box.

Old business: none

New business:

All presentations can be found on UB Box.

FS Academic Planning & Assessment Committee Report

Carol M Van Zile-Tamsen - Assistant Vice Provost for Educational Effectiveness, Office of Educational Effectiveness; Counseling, School, and Educational Psychology presented the resolution to the FSEC, containing the four goals of realizing UB 2020, with the learning outcomes. Unanimously the motion to move the resolution to the floor for discussion was passed.

After discussion the question was called: passed with a majority with 1 nay vote.

Vote was taken to pass the resolution: Passed with a majority with 1 Nay and 1 abstain.

Phil Glick suggested that the FS rules be suspended and the resolution be discussed and voted at the next FS meeting.

Rule suspension vote: passed unanimously

Add/drop dates:

The Chair proposed sending the question of add/drop dates for courses to the assessment and grading committee. It was accepted unanimously and was deferred until next fall.

Thanking the Chair, Dr Glick

Ernie Steinberg brought a resolution to the floor to thank Dr Glick for the service rendered to the Senate as the FS Chair. It was passed unanimously.

Robert Miletich, the incoming Chair presented Dr Glick with a plaque, thanked him for all that he had done for the FS through times of flares and times of quiescence, and

expressed the sentiment that he admired the process and it was clear that Dr Glick had a willingness to help others.

Executive session: None

Adjourned: Meeting was adjourned at 4.27 pm.

Submitted by Jessy Alexander, Secretary of the Faculty Senate,
May, 2019.






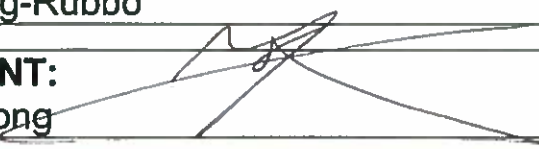




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Wednesday, May 1st, 2019
3:00pm – 4:30pm, 567 Capen Hall

CHAIR: Philip Glick <i>Present</i>
SECRETARY: Jessy Alexander <i>Present</i>
PARLIAMENTARIAN: Destiny Johnson 
ARCHITECTURE & PLANNING: Ernie Sternberg 
ARTS & SCIENCES: Sampson Blair Ken Dauber
DENTAL MEDICINE: Dana Keblawi 
EDUCATIONAL OPPORTUNITY CENTER: Chris Yuen 
ENGINEERING & APPLIED SCIENCES: Bharat Jayaraman  Marina Tsianou
GRADUATE SCHOOL OF EDUCATION: Samuel Abramovich
LAW: Mateo Taussig-Rubbo
MANAGEMENT: Jurriaan de Jong 
MEDICINE & BIOMEDICAL SCIENCES: David Mattson  Robert Miletich  Richard Quigg
NURSING: Carla Jungquist

PHARMACY:

Ed Bednarczyk

Ed Bednarczyk

PUBLIC HEALTH AND HEALTH PROFESSIONS:

John Wilson

John Wilson

SOCIAL WORK:

Diane Elze

UNIVERSITY LIBRARIES:

Susan Dow

SUNY SENATORS:

Cemal Basaran

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Philip Glick

Fred Stoss

Present

Jason Benedict

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PRESIDENT OF THE UNIVERSITY AT BUFFALO:

Satish Tripathi

Absent

PROVOST OF THE UNIVERSITY AT BUFFALO:

Charles Zukoski

Present

PROFESSIONAL STAFF SENATE:

Domenic Licata

Absent

COUNCIL OF ADVOCACY AND LEADERSHIP (COAL):

Mike Brown

Absent

INVITED GUESTS:

Carol Van Zile-Tamsen

OTHERS IN ATTENDANCE:

Lindsay Allen

Nicole Waddington

Empty rows for additional names under 'OTHERS IN ATTENDANCE'.