



Faculty Senate Executive Committee Meeting
September 4, 2019
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 Robert Miletich at 3.00pm

Agenda: The agenda was accepted unanimously.

Minutes of 5/22/2019 was approved and accepted unanimously.

Chair's report:

The Chair welcomed all the senators to the new academic session and thanked them for their service. He promised to bring the websites up to date and make them pertinent.

Obituary: The Chair conveyed the Senates condolences and sympathy to Fred Stoss on the loss of his wife.

Provost Zukoski: The Chair informed the FSEC that the Provost would be leaving UB and requested Provost Zukoski to gives his reflections on his stay at UB.

Vice Provost of Libraries: Evviva Weinraub has been appointed as the new Vice Provost of Libraries. She will be invited to speak to the FSEC in the near future.

Graduate student stipends: The academic year 2018-19 ended with the FSEC passing a resolution supporting the increase in wage for the graduate students. The underlying objectives were met in a befitting manner by the administration.

President: The President welcomed the senators to the new academic year. The year kicked off to a great start with the visit of the visit to campus of the iconic U.S. Supreme Court Associate Justice Ruth Bader Ginsberg who was conferred with a honorary degree by UB
Provost Zukoski will be leaving UB to University of Southern California as Vice President of Academic Affairs and Provost. The President expressed his appreciation for the Provost and thanked him for his service.
The President thanked Scott Weber for stepping in as Interim Provost while the search for the new Provost is on. Dr Weber will continue as the Vice President for Student Life along with serving as the Vice Provost.
The research expenditure continues to improve, the number of individual awards have increased, 11 National career science awards were received by non-tenured junior faculty and the University communications has attempted to give maximum exposure to the University faculty.
The President ended his words by inviting the senators to the State of the University address.

Provost:

The Provost postponed the reminiscing of his seven year stay at UB to the next meeting. He reiterated that UB was a fabulous place attracting a lot of good talent and wished UB well.

85 new faculty from prestigious institutions such as Harvard and UC Davis have joined UB of which about 40 are with tenure.

This year there was an increase in applications with nearly 4200 freshmen, with 5% increase in minority representation, 4.8% increase in medical students, one of the star attractions being the new medical school.

The new Vice Provost for libraries Evviva Weinraub Lajoie has taken charge and there is already a positive impact. The Provost thanked the senator who sat on the search committee for their services.

Last month the Provost and the Deans launched a PhD Excellence Initiative (PEI). The initiative will look into how to attract and retain PhDs and the environment given to them. The outcomes will be defined and whether the said outcomes are achieved. The program will be managed by the Graduate School executive committee.

Graham Hammill gave further insights into this initiative – that it would look along with attracting and retention of the best students, into increase in diversity, the curriculum, training given to TAs for teaching, sustain competitive stipend rates, employment outcomes, review policy and best practices towards time to degree and completion. A graduate school subcommittee would be convened to identify 4-5 indices such as the ones already stated.

Unfinished business:

The Chair gave the senators an orientation as to the responsibilities and functioning of the senate – PowerPoint has been uploaded on UB Box.

The letter from President Tripathi to the Chair regarding the graduate student stipends has been uploaded on UB Box. Robert Miletich requested the budget priorities committee to take a look at the letter and deliver their response.

Fred Stoss presented a motion to move the FS from the third Tuesdays of the month to the third Wednesdays of the month in line with the FSEC meetings on the 1st, 2nd and 4th Wednesdays of the month.

Fred Stoss informed the FSEC that the sustainability and environment committee held their first meeting and would be updating the FS on the programs. The sustainability fair will be held in the Union on September 23rd.


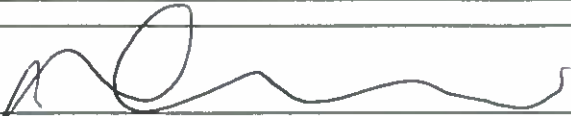






Executive session: None

Adjourned: Meeting was adjourned at 4.27 pm.

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



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Wednesday, September 4th, 2019
3:00pm – 4:30pm, 567 Capen Hall

CHAIR: Bob Miletich 
SECRETARY: Jessy Alexander PRESENT
PARLIAMENTARIAN: Destiny Johnson 
ARCHITECTURE & PLANNING: TBD
ARTS & SCIENCES: Sampson Blair  Ken Dauber 
DENTAL MEDICINE: Albert Sohnen 
EDUCATIONAL OPPORTUNITY CENTER: Michael Baugh 
ENGINEERING & APPLIED SCIENCES: Bharat Jayaraman (temporary)  TBD
GRADUATE SCHOOL OF EDUCATION: Janina Brutt-Griffler
LAW: Michael Boucai PRESENT
MANAGEMENT: TBD
MEDICINE & BIOMEDICAL SCIENCES: David Mattson Michael Morales Richard Quigg
NURSING: Carla Jungquist 

PHARMACY:

Ed Bednarczyk

Ed Bednarczyk

PUBLIC HEALTH AND HEALTH PROFESSIONS:

John Wilson

John Wilson

SOCIAL WORK:

TBD

UNIVERSITY LIBRARIES:

Susan Dow (temporary)

Susan Dow

Amy Lyons

SUNY SENATORS:

Cemal Basaran

Philip Glick

Fred Stoss

Fred Stoss

Jason Benedict

PRESIDENT OF THE UNIVERSITY AT BUFFALO:

Satish Tripathi

PRESENT

PROVOST OF THE UNIVERSITY AT BUFFALO:

Charles Zukoski

PRESENT

PROFESSIONAL STAFF SENATE:

Tim Tryjankowski

COUNCIL OF ADVOCACY AND LEADERSHIP (COAL):

Mike Montoro

INVITED GUESTS:

Graham Hammill

PRESENT

OTHERS IN ATTENDANCE:

Lindsay Allen

BILL McDONNELL

CRAIG ABBEY

SCOTT WEBER