



## Faculty Senate Executive Committee Meeting Minutes

October 4, 2022

Online by Zoom

**Attendance:** see Appendix 1

Proceedings of the meeting are uploaded onto UB Box.

The chair, Fred Stoss, called the meeting to order at 3:05pm and welcomed everyone to the meeting.

**Agenda:** The agenda for the day was approved unanimously with correction of committee name.

**Secretary's Report & Approval of previous minutes:** Minutes from September 27, 2022 were unanimously approved with one amendment, one hire from VITAL program.

### Provost's Report:

- UB to receive \$12.1 million in personnel funds from Albany to hire 80-115 new faculty as part of the NYS Flagship Initiative.
- UB will provide personnel funds for support staff.
- Hires used to assist in Top 25 efforts.
- UB seeks to excel in:
  - Externally funded research
  - Attracting senior faculty to provide high level leadership and mentorship
  - Cluster hirings
  - Increase UB National Academy memberships
- Questions:
  - All tenure track hires?
    - Yes, departments may get a waiver contingent on rationale

### Chair's Report:

- Chair submitted written report see Appendix 2

### Committee's Update

- Secretary, Cynthia Tysick, presented update on committees' memberships.
  - Currently verifying all committee chairs 1) still willing to serve on committee 2) still willing to serve as chair 3) confirm members currently listed.

- Work should be done by mid-October.
- FSEC members should be serving as liaisons according to FS Charter. Therefore, members should email Secretary with committee(s) they would like to liaise to.
- At the October 25, 2022 meeting of the FSEC the Secretary will update the committee on committees rosters and Chair will accept nominees at that time.

### **Approval of Institutional Review Report**

- Ad hoc committee was thanked for their work.
- Motion to accept report was made and report was approved.
- Next steps:
  - Update FSEC committees
  - Create a group of FS senators to review report and provide recommendations to FSEC
    - No motion was made at that time to convene such a group.

**FSEC went into executive session at 3:44pm to discuss Faculty Satisfaction Survey**

**Adjournment:** Meeting adjourned at 4:29pm



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**Appendix 1: Attendance**

**Executive Committee Meeting**

**Tuesday, October 4, 2022**

**3:00 - 4:30 p.m.**

**CHAIR:**

Fred Stoss – Present

**SECRETARY:**

Cynthia Tysick – Present

**PARLIAMENTARIAN:**

Open -

**ARCHITECTURE & PLANNING:**

Kerry Traynor – Present

**COLLEGE OF ARTS & SCIENCES:**

Kenneth Dauber -

Sampson Lee Blair – Present

Barbara Prinari – Present

Liana Vardi -

**DENTAL MEDICINE:**

Michelle Kay – Present

**EDUCATIONAL OPPORTUNITY CENTER:**

Marsha Christiano – Present

**ENGINEERING & APPLIED SCIENCES:**

Paschalis Alexandridis – Present

Marina Tsianou -

**GRADUATE SCHOOL OF EDUCATION:**

Lilliam Malave Lopez – Present

**LAW:**

Matthew Steilen -

**MANAGEMENT:**

Laura Amo – Present

**MEDICINE & BIOMEDICAL SCIENCES:**

Michael Morales -

Thomas Melendy – Present

David Shucard – Present

Open -

**NURSING:**

Jennifer Livingston – Present

**PHARMACY:**

Erin Slazak – Alt – Raymond Cha – Present

**PUBLIC HEALTH AND HEALTH PROFESSIONS:**

Albert Vexler – Present

**SOCIAL WORK:**

Peter Sobota – Present

**UNIVERSITY LIBRARIES:**

John Beatty – Present

**SUNY SENATORS:**

Amit Kandel – Present

Kristin Stapleton – Present

Patrick Long -

R.J. Multari – Present

Ken Seldeen (alternate) -

**PRESIDENT OF THE UNIVERSITY AT BUFFALO:**

Satish Tripathi -

**PROVOST OF THE UNIVERSITY AT BUFFALO:**

A. Scott Weber – Present

**PROFESSIONAL STAFF SENATE:**

Tim Tryjankowski – Present

**COUNCIL OF ADVOCACY AND LEADERSHIP (COAL):**

A.J. Franklin – Present

**UNIVERSITY LEADERSHIP:**

Robert Granfield – Present

Graham Hammill -

William McDonnell -

Eileen Sherman – Present

#### OTHERS IN ATTENDANCE:

Jessica Naish – Present

Bob Miletich -

Phil Glick – Present

## Appendix 2: Chair's Report

### Faculty Senate Executive Committee Meeting

#### Chair's Report

October 4, 2022

Don Erb, the Professional Staff Senate's Vice-Chair, and I attended last week's dedication of the Indigenous Studies Department. After a general overview of the Department, its history, present, and future, I had the opportunity to tell those present that the Department is invited to provide both Senates with information vital to the respective Senate's function and opportunities.

Last week with the assistance of the Faculty Senate Secretary, Cindi Tysick, every Committee Chair (if there is no Chair, the entire Committee was contacted) and given a deadline of October 25, 2022 to provide a report about their committee. The Faculty Senate Executive Committee WILL hear from each of the committees before the end of the Fall Semester. As noted in several emails I sent in the Fall 2021 Semester that were directed to the Faculty Senate, the Faculty Senate Executive Committee, and individual committees requesting assistance in re-populating Committees, and reporting back to the FSEC.

The weakness of the Faculty Senate Committees was in the Final Report of the Ad-hoc Institutional Review Committee. The Faculty Senate needs to address this issue head-on and strengthen the critical starting points for creation, approval, and implementation of University programs, policies, and resolutions that determine the direction of the University's future.

Kristin Stapleton, Chair of the Ad-hoc Institutional Review Committee, presented their Final Report to the Faculty Senate Executive Committee, and completed its charge. At today's meeting, we will formally acknowledge their report and dismiss the ad hoc Committee. The Senate thanks Kristin and her Committee for the work they did in preparing this document. The next thing needed, after we accept the report, is what are the responsibilities the Faculty Executive Committee has moving this report forward. I want the FSEC to have some time to fully read and analyze this report, and engage in a conversation that address the question, "Where do we go from here?"

We will hear today in Executive Session the first presentation of the ad hoc Faculty Satisfaction Committee, Chaired by Barbara Prinari. This is a review of the questions contained in a survey to UB's Faculty with a planned release in the Spring Semester.

Reminder: Thursday, October 6, 2022, morning bring electronics to be recycled, non-perishable food for the pantry, and good clothing to be reused. Center for Tomorrow parking lot.

Reminder: December 15, 2022 Faculty Senate Meeting for Second Reading and Vote on the University Academic Calendar. Put on your calendars and alert your constituents.

Respectfully submitted,

Fred Stoss, Chair  
Faculty Senate