

# Faculty Senate Executive Committee Meeting Wednesday, March 6, 2019 567 Capen Hall, 3 – 4:30pm

Attendance: Attached at end.

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

Meeting was called to order by Chair Protem, Dr Jessy Alexander at 3.00pm

**Agenda**: The agenda was accepted unanimously with the addition of resolution to endorse SUNY UFS resolutions presented by Jason and Fred.

Minutes of 2/27/2019 was approved and accepted unanimously with the clause to make any changes, if necessary, should suggestions be brought to the FSEC attention at the March 13<sup>th</sup> meeting.

### Chair Protem's report:

- 1. *Obituary:* A moment of silence was maintained for Melvin J. Tucker, Professor Emeritus of English, died Feb. 15 at the age of 87. A specialist in English Tudor history, Tucker joined the UB faculty in 1963 as an assistant professor of English and European history. He served as director of graduate studies in the Department of History from 1979-85, and retired in 2005. He received numerous academic honors, research grants and fellowships including the Fulbright Scholarship in 1958 spending the time in Queens College, London.
- 2. Shared Governance Day: March 5<sup>th</sup> was the SG day celebrated at the Center for tomorrow. Along with the visiting dignitaries also patched in by phone were the SUNY Chancellor and Provost. It was an occasion where one felt the spirit of SG having members of all the pillars of the University present. Of course it ended with food served by Big Blue/little blue. It was a fascinating experience standing in the snow which was coming down fast and having warm food served.



- 3. *Distinguished Seminar series*: Activist Angela Davis, who had spoken at UB 50 years ago, spoke at the Alumni Arena on 2/27/2019 as part of the Distinguished Seminar series. She was also the 43rd annual Martin Luther King Jr. Commemoration keynote speaker. She celebrated the legacy of Martin Luther King Jr. and spoke about social justice issues throughout the world before a large audience that braved the snow storm and the whiteouts to attend the talk. She ended the presentation on a positive note where she said that although the political climate and landscape seems depressing to quote her words, "I think this is an exciting moment. I would think that if we combined our activism, our advocacy and our scholarship with our collective imagination, passion and desire for the purpose of extending, broadening and deepening our current movements for social justice, then we can look forward for the future that we all desire."
- 4. *Difcon Panel:* UB community members discussed the ways the University commemorates people with difficult legacies through UB's building and space names. The discussion entertained how awareness could be enhanced as to the legacies in line with the names and existing names that may have negative connotations need to be changed.
- 5. *Sports*: For the Sports fans, the Bulls continue to be on fire. They defeated Akron 77-64 and will head on the road for games against Miami and Ohio. We wish them luck.
- 6. *Voting*: We have a SUNY senator seat falling vacant. The elections will have to be conducted before June. Please keep that in mind, in case you feel the urge to serve in that category.

President's report: None.

Parliamentarian's report: None.

Provost's report: None.



### Presentations: None.

### **New Business:**

- Suspension of rules to interview non-faculty candidate for Parliamentarian: The position of Parliamentarian has been vacant since December 2018. It has been tough to identify a Faculty member familiar with the needs of the position to make a time commitment. The FSEC standing order states that the Parliamentarian has to be a Faculty member. A motion was presented proposing a suspension of this rule, in this specific instance, opening the candidate pool and allowing the FSEC to interview faculty, professional staff, or students for the FSEC Parliamentarian position. Motion passed unanimously.
- Motion was brought to the floor to send a request to the bylaws committee to initiate the following process: to assess and understand the need to open up the position of Parliamentarian to non-Faculty and to determine whether the non-Faculty Parliamentarian should be present during executive sessions. Motion passed unanimously.
- Jason B. presented the Resolution to endorse SUNY UFS Resolution on New Deal for SUNY and CUNY. After discussions (available on UB Box) the resolution was passed with majority vote with one abstain.
- 4. Fred Stoss presented the Resolution to endorse SUNY UFS Resolution on Length of Service for Distinguished Professorships. After discussions (available on UB Box) the resolution was passed with majority vote with two abstaining.

#### Executive session: None.

Adjourned: Meeting was adjourned at 4.00 pm.

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



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CHAIR: Philip Glick
SECRETARY: Jessy Alexander
PARLIAMENTARIAN: To be determined
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SOCIAL WORK: Diane Elze		
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INVITED GUESTS: Carol Van Zile-Tams	sen	
OTHERS IN ATTEN Lindsay Allen Nicole Waddington		