



Faculty Senate Executive Committee Meeting  
November 4, 2020  
Zoom Hall

Attendance: Attached

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 'New Business' given in the agenda was moved to the next meeting. A motion was brought to the floor to conduct the scholarly series after the conduct of the governance matters of the senate. The motion was seconded and passed with a majority. With these changes the agenda was accepted unanimously.

**Secretary's report:**

The Secretary reminded everyone that the nomination phase of the election for FS Chair would end on Friday. Nominations had to be submitted by November 6<sup>th</sup> and needed 5 nominators and a candidate statement to be valid.

Minutes of October 23, 2020 meeting was approved unanimously.

**President's report:** None

**Provost report:**

*Awards:*

*Jason Briner*, Professor of Geology and Director of the Glacier History Lab, College of Arts and Sciences is co-leading GreenDrill, and received a \$3.5 million project funded by the National Science Foundation.

*William J. Jusko*, SUNY Distinguished Professor of Pharmaceutical Sciences in the School of Pharmacy and Pharmaceutical Sciences, has received the 2020 Distinguished Pharmaceutical Scientist Award from the American Association of Pharmaceutical Sciences (AAPS). The Distinguished Pharmaceutical Scientist Award is the AAPS' most esteemed honor and is a lifetime achievement that recognizes an individual who has made substantial contributions to the research and advancement of pharmaceutical science.

*Joseph Balthasar*, PhD, professor of pharmaceutical sciences, received the 2020 University at Buffalo (UB) Exceptional Scholar Sustained Achievement Award. Balthasar is internationally recognized for his innovative research in the field of pharmacokinetics and pharmacodynamics (PK/PD), including the development of physiologically-based pharmacokinetic models for use in the discovery and development of monoclonal antibodies and antibody conjugates.

*Samantha Barbas*, Director of the Baldy Center and Professor of Law at University at Buffalo, School of Law is the winner of The National Endowment for the Humanities (NEH) grant competition in the 2020 Public Scholars Program.

*Matt Kenyon*, Associate professor and Director of the graduate program in the Department of Art, College of Arts and Sciences, who also is a TED fellow revealed that “his works “Tide” and “Cloud” address the intersection of climate change and the housing crisis, bringing metaphors from banking and real estate back to a human scale.”

*Ann Bisantz*, an engineering professor and UB’s Dean of Undergraduate education, has been selected as HFE WOMAN Mentor of the Year, a prestigious award that acknowledges her dedication and impact as a mentor in the human factors and ergonomics field.

Online celebration of Faculty and staff academic excellence: [Faculty & Staff Excellence - Celebration of Academic Excellence - University at Buffalo](#)

The search for the Vice Provost for International Education is moving forward well and they hope to have the finalists by January. The Provost welcomed nominations for the post.

UB alumni and Pulitzer Prize-winning editorial cartoonist Tom Toles retired with his last cartoon appearing the week before. He had been acknowledged by the Signature series.

**Chairs report:**

COVID19 cases seems to be maintained with everyone following the social distancing and adherence. The last two weeks there have only been 20 cases. The COVID19 planning committee has submitted the Phase 2 report to the Provost dealing with recommendations towards UB going forward. A spring calendar was voted on and has been forwarded to the President with negotiations still in process with the Chancellor.

There was a discussion regarding the budget shortage due to COVID19 and the UBF possibilities. NYS budget is 180 billion dollars/year. A 55 billion dollar/5years shortfall is expected in the State budget.

There was a discussion regarding the resolution for FS to Support and endorse establishing an Article 43 Safety and Health Committee at UB which was sent to the President. The separation between the UUP and the FS and the University's actions were discussed.

### **Unfinished Business:**

The question was called regarding the establishment of the Article 43 Safety and Health Committee at UB and was voted upon. The resolution was passed with 11yay:3nay:4 abstaining. It will be moved to the full FS for first reading.

### **Parliamentarian Report:** None

### **Presentations:**

*Scholarly Discourse:* Jason Briner, Professor of Geology and Director of the Glacier History Lab, College of Arts and Sciences is co-leading GreenDrill, and received a \$3.5 million project funded by the National Science Foundation that will bring teams to the Greenland Ice Sheet to investigate one of Earth's largely unexplored frontiers: the bedrock below the ice. They'll collect cylindrical sections of bedrock, called bedrock cores, from several locations below the ice sheet in northern Greenland. The chemical data contained in these samples act as a historical archive, documenting when these regions were last free of ice. The research could help scientists understand how the Greenland Ice Sheet will respond to climate change,

and also predict how global sea levels will rise in the 21st century as ice sheets shrink.

**New Business:**

**Adjourned:** Meeting adjourned at 4.30 pm.

Submitted by Jessy Alexander, Secretary of the Faculty Senate, November, 2020.

**Executive Committee Meeting**  
**Wednesday, November 4, 2020**  
**3:00-4:30 p.m.**

<b>CHAIR:</b> Bob Miletich - X
<b>SECRETARY:</b> Jessy Alexander - X
<b>PARLIAMENTARIAN:</b> Richard Gronostajski - X
<b>ARCHITECTURE &amp; PLANNING:</b> Hiro Hata -
<b>ARTS &amp; SCIENCES:</b> Michael Cowen - X Ken Dauber - X Barbara Prinari - X Maureen Jameson - X
<b>DENTAL MEDICINE:</b> Othman Shibly -
<b>EDUCATIONAL OPPORTUNITY CENTER:</b> Michael Baugh - X
<b>ENGINEERING &amp; APPLIED SCIENCES:</b> Paschalis Alexandridis - X Adly Fam - X
<b>GRADUATE SCHOOL OF EDUCATION:</b> Janina Brutt-Griffler - X
<b>LAW:</b> Matthew Dimick - X
<b>MANAGEMENT:</b> Michael Dambra -
<b>MEDICINE &amp; BIOMEDICAL SCIENCES:</b> Anna Blumenal-Perry - Channa Kolb - X E. Brooke Lerner - X

**NURSING:**

Jennifer Livingston - X

**PHARMACY:**

Marilyn Morris - X

**PUBLIC HEALTH AND HEALTH PROFESSIONS:**

Albert Vexler - X

**SOCIAL WORK:**

Laura Lewis - X

**UNIVERSITY LIBRARIES:**

Alison Fraser - X

**SUNY SENATORS:**

Cemal Basaran - X

Philip Glick - X

Fred Stoss - X

R.J. Multari - X

**PRESIDENT OF THE UNIVERSITY AT BUFFALO:**

Satish Tripathi -

**PROVOST OF THE UNIVERSITY AT BUFFALO:**

A. Scott Weber - X

**PROFESSIONAL STAFF SENATE:**

Tim Tryjankowski - X

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

Mike Montoro - X

**INVITED GUESTS:**

Jason Briner - X

**OTHERS IN ATTENDANCE:**

Jessica Naish – X

Eileen Sherman – X

Robert Granfield – X

Graham Hammill -

**PHONE ATTENDEES:**
