

# Faculty Senate Executive Committee Meeting Wednesday, October 24, 2018, 3 - 4:30pm 6 Norton Hall

Attendance: attached at end.

All proceedings of the meeting recorded are on the UB FSEC Box once the minutes have been approved.

**Meeting** called to order by Chair & Presiding Officer, Dr Phil Glick at 3.00pm

**Agenda presentation:** The agenda was posted on UB Box which was accepted unanimously.

**Minutes presentation:** The minutes were posted on UB Box on October 23<sup>rd</sup> and was accepted unanimously.

### Chair's report.

Obituary: The FSEC maintained a moment of silence for:
 Dr Arjun Singh, Postdoctoral Fellow in Institute for Lasers, Photonics and Bio-Photonics (ILPB) who lost his life due to cardiac arrest at the young age of 32. He leaves behind his wife Poonam and one year old Ayanshi.

**Emilio Ramos**, Professor of Medicine, and an expert Transplant Nephrologist entered into eternal rest on October 19, 2018. A Mass of Christian Burial was celebrated at St. John Maron Church 2040 Wehrle Dr., Williamsville, on Friday, October 26<sup>th</sup>. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made in Dr. Ramos' memory to the American Kidney Foundation.

- 2. UB Bulls Football team had their victory v Toledo on Saturday to attain 7— 1 (4–0 MAC) for the first time since 1959 and have become bowl eligible.
- 3. The GESS Committee Report is on UB Now and is a public document.



- 4. SUNY UFS Fall Plenary at Binghamton, NY meeting highlights:
  - Four resolutions were passed on topics dealing with equity, inclusion and diversity and on reinstituting a SUNY-wide graduate student incentive program. UFS Senators Fred Stoss and Jason Benedict will discuss the resolutions at our next FSEC meeting November 7<sup>th</sup>.
  - 2. The chancellor mentioned the UB GESS report in relation to addressing inequality and salary compression. UUP executive level committee is carrying on deliberations on how this compression money will be given to faculty and professional staff who are effected by salary compression state-wide.
  - 3. The chancellor answered questions and then spoke about her plans and priorities. She reemphasized the themes in her State of SUNY address and inauguration. Themes include:
    - i. Innovation and Entrepreneurship
    - ii. Individualized education
    - iii. Sustainability
    - iv. Partnerships

The SUNY Provost and Vice Chancellor Tod Laursen then explained his new priorities. The SUNY Provost was at Khalifa University (KU) in Abu Dhabi, United Arab Emirates and the Petroleum Institute. Dr. Laursen served as the President of KUSTAR and subsequently as President of Khalifa University. The new priorities includes:

- (a) seamless transfer,
- (b) micro-credentialing,
- (c) EOC EOP,
- (d) guided pathways (CC) and
- (e) Open SUNY

Open SUNY: It is a series of online courses and online degree programs available through the State University of New York system.

- v. SUNY SA President Michael Braun
  - (a) SA advocacy at state and federal level
  - (b) Voting App <a href="https://sunyvotes.civicengine.com/">https://sunyvotes.civicengine.com/</a>



- 5. Schools representation: Schools of Pharmacy, Architecture and Planning, and Nursing have representatives in the Faculty Senate.
- 6. Faculty titles: Bob Granfield made a presentation recently about simplifying faculty titles and creating a nomenclature that would allow a Promotion track, while off the Tenure Track. A task force with a faculty member, a vice provost and the director of HR as Co-chairs will be charged with looking into this, by the Provost.
- 7. Empire plan: Kevin Gibbons Senior Associate Dean for Clinical Affairs agrees to present this matter at the next UBMB Practice plan meeting. He hopes to have this problem rectified.
- 8. *UB Foundation*: UB Foundation transparency is a continuing topic. To understand the interest of the various constituent groups, UB PSS, SA and GSA in the UBF transparency, a survey will be sent out soon.
- 9. UB is the news:
  - a. UB Professor Joe Gardella made today's front page!
  - UB Associate professor Jason Benedict initiated the US Crystal Growing competition 5 years ago. This year it began on October 22 will continue for 5 weeks.
  - c. UB assistant clinical professor Jessica Kruger of school of public health and health professionals led students to bring awareness of cigarette smoking on campus.
- 10. The FS Chair requested that the salient points of each meeting be transmitted back to the respective units.

**President report:** The President unable to attend.

## **Provost report:**

Graduate Student living stipend: The Provost continues to have discussions regarding the GSLS. Provost Zukoski, Vice Provost Granfield, Vice Provost Hammill, Dean Folks and Dean Schultz will make presentations and answer questions regarding the GSLS at next month's FS meeting.

Athletics: UB has been very successful. The average of sports athletes remain 3.0 which is higher than the general UB average. 2 women athletes have joined the Medical School.



*UB ranking*: UB is number 38 among public colleges rising 32 points in 11 years. It is rated No 1 among NY public universities with steadily growing application numbers, faculty grant proposals on the rise, increase in startup awards, recognition going up including SUNY Distinguished Professor awards.

Parliamentarian: None.

#### **Presentation/Reports:**

Christine Kroll, Assistant Vice Provost and Director of the Center for Educational Innovation, Adjunct assistant professor, Department of Communication gave a presentation on "The path to educational innovation" – the presentation is on UB Box. She presented the plan that she has been leading that will build partnerships with university deans and faculty to positively impact student learning outcomes through the art of teaching and the science of learning and transform CEI from an educational research center into an innovative teaching and learning center.

**Jessica Kruger**, Clinical Assistant Professor and an expert on the public health impacts of addictive behaviors along with her students presented their project to collect cigarette butts from on campus to bring to President Tripathi's office. They hope the university will be more inclined to enforce UB's no smoking policy after showing President Tripathi physical evidence that the rule doesn't work.

**Unfinished business:** Jurriaan De Jong's talk was moved to the FSEC meeting next week.

#### **New business:**

**Samuel J. Abramovich**, Assistant Professor of Learning and Instruction, and Information and Library Studies and an expert on learning and technology in education, including digital badges, online rating systems and makerspaces presented the resolution to change the Department of Library and Information Studies to the Department of Information Sciences. The resolution is available on UB Box. The motion to put it up for discussion



was accepted unanimously. The question was called and accepted unanimously. The resolution will have the first read on November 7<sup>th</sup> and will be voted on, on December 11<sup>th</sup>.

Executive session: None

The meeting adjourned at 4.30 pm.



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CHAIR: Philip Glick Present
SECRETARY: Jessy Alexander
PARLIAMENTARIAN: James Hassett
ARCHITECTURE & PLANNING: Ernie Sternberg
ARTS & SCIENCES: Sampson Blair Ken Dauber
DENTAL MEDICINE: Lisa Yerke
EDUCATIONAL OPPORTUNITY CENTER: Carlo
ENGINEERING & APPLIED SCIENCES: Bharat Jayaraman Marina Tsianou
GRADUATE SCHOOL OF EDUCATION: Samuel Abramovich
LAW: Mateo Taussig-Rubbo
MANAGEMENT: Jurriaan de Jong Excused
MEDICINE & BIOMEDICAL SCIENCES: Michael Chaskes David Mattson Robert Miletich Pholetich Richard Quigg

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NURSING:
Carla Jungquist
PHARMACY:
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PUBLIC HEALTH AND HEALTH PROFESSIONS:
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John Wilson June 1
SOCIAL WORK:
Diane Elze
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UNIVERSITY LIBRARIES:
Susan Dow Suxan Dow
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SUNY SENATORS:
Cemal Basaran Fxcuscd
Philip Glick
Fred Stoss
Jason Benédict
PRESIDENT OF THE UNIVERSITY AT BUFFALO:
Satish Tripathi EXCUSED
PROVOST OF THE UNIVERSITY AT BUFFALO:
Charles Zukoski PPESENT
PROFESSIONAL STAFF SENATE:
Domenic Licata PRESENT
COUNCIL OF ADVOCACY AND LEADERSHIP (COAL):
Mike Brown
INVITED GUESTS:
Christine Kroll Present
Jessica Kruger Jessica Kruger
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OTHERS IN ATTENDANCE:
Lindsay Allen
Chris Maggiore
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