



Faculty Senate Executive Committee Meeting  
September 25, 2019  
6 Norton 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, with the change of Approval of FS Committee Roster – Academic Policies & Grading Committee matter moved from new business to executive session.

**Minutes** of 09/04/2019 was approved and accepted unanimously.

**Chair's report:**

The Chair presented to the FSEC the meetings that he had attended during the week which had pertinence to the FSEC.

On Thursday there was a meeting of the Jacobs School of Medicine executive committee. A major aspect was dealing with the metrics of instructional adequacy. The first two years is basic sciences and the next two years is clinical curriculum. Overall, the students were very satisfied with room for some improvement. Advertisements and updated websites were discussed.

At the UB curriculum steering committee analysis of the different wings of the UB curriculum was discussed.

Graduate school executive committee met and discussed the administration's response to the graduate stipends enhancement resolution, the birth of the PhD excellence initiative. Graham Hammill presented the details, the challenges, balancing the teaching and scholarship and the budgetary effects. This initiative will be financed by the decanal units. In order to attain the objectives, committees were set up to monitor the time to degree, degree completion rates, teaching preparation and graduate assistance. Two officers of the GSA were present who will

also serve in the subcommittees. English language requirements for International graduate students was discussed.

Meeting with Ann Bisantz, Dean of Undergraduate Education and her policy expert who wanted to know where all the FS policies were present, which are published on the Provost's website under the policies calendar. They were interested in the FS strategy planning priorities. The FS workshop in Dec 2018 identified the objectives and priorities and the FSEC voted on them.

He mentioned the strategic planning session and appreciated the sustainability fair by the Professional senate with companies demonstrating their wares, presenting new technologies such as the driverless buses.

Cemal is our SUNY senator.

Jason has resigned from the UB FS and his cheerful presence will be missed. An election will be conducted to fill this seat.

Complex released a list of the 50 ugliest college campuses in the nation with UB in the top 5. In terms of UB North, Complex said, "The campus itself is spread too thin, creating a multiple mile walk between some buildings. Due to this, the cohesiveness of the campus is nonexistent and cold (and from October to March that coldness is literal). Capen Hall, home to the president and provost of the university, looks more like a factory than the fulcrum of a center for learning." He suggested that the FS and PS sustainability committees should add it to their agenda.

**President:** Not present

**Provost:** Not present

**Parliamentarian:** She mentioned that she it was her responsibility to make sure the process followed the set rules and that she would leave out the content. She hopes to present a series on Robert's rules in the near future. She began the series and made a short presentation.

1. To make something happen there should be a motion and a second
2. No one can speak twice until everyone had a turn
3. A motion can be amended with a vote.

4. A motion can be tabled.

## **PRESENTATIONS:**

1. Vice Provost for Faculty Affairs, Bob Granfield made a presentation. *Presidents review Board:* Last year 78 cases were processed of which 75 were approved. Next year it is expected that there will be 97 cases. The senators will have to move the cases in the Units and get the dossiers up to the college level.

*Faculty engagement:* To try increase faculty success in various ways. The UB academy for higher education and leadership had 24 attendees at the last meeting in Ellicottville. Training of UB chairs is subsidized by opening the academy to non-locals.

There was a meeting of Chairs once a month with a Department Chair workshop. The Chairs role in tenure and promotion, mentoring, diversification, legal issues and compliance are all part of the ongoing conversation.

*Integration of non-tenure faculty:* A committee was charged which reported its findings to the Provost, Chairs and the Senate.

*New faculty orientation:* It was attended by 76 members.

*New Faculty Academy:* It focuses on scholarship and teaching.

*SUNY honorary degrees:* The office handles the nomination for UB and SUNY distinguished faculty.

*Midcareer faculty:* The focus is on training, PRB, qualified ranks.

2. PhD excellence initiative: Process to change the graduate student remuneration. After some discussion it was decided to charge the Budget priority committee to look into the matter and comeback with a response.

**Executive session:** Senate moved into executive session




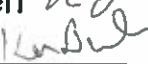




**New business:** None

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

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



**Executive Committee Meeting  
Wednesday, September 25<sup>th</sup>, 2019  
3:00pm – 4:30pm, 6 Norton Hall**

<b>CHAIR:</b> Bob Miletich
<b>SECRETARY:</b> Jessy Alexander
<b>PARLIAMENTARIAN:</b> Destiny Johnson 
<b>ARCHITECTURE &amp; PLANNING:</b> TBD (1)
<b>ARTS &amp; SCIENCES:</b> Sampson Blair  Michael Cowen  Ken Dauber 
<b>DENTAL MEDICINE:</b> Albert Sohnen 
<b>EDUCATIONAL OPPORTUNITY CENTER:</b> Michael Baugh 
<b>ENGINEERING &amp; APPLIED SCIENCES:</b> TBD (2)
<b>GRADUATE SCHOOL OF EDUCATION:</b> Janina Brutt-Griffler
<b>LAW:</b> Michael Boucai
<b>MANAGEMENT:</b> TBD (1)
<b>MEDICINE &amp; BIOMEDICAL SCIENCES:</b> David Mattson  Michael Morales  Richard Quigg
<b>NURSING:</b> Carla Jungquist

**PHARMACY:**

Ed Bednarczyk

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**PUBLIC HEALTH AND HEALTH PROFESSIONS:**

John Wilson

**SOCIAL WORK:**

Laura Lewis

**UNIVERSITY LIBRARIES:**

Amy Lyons

**SUNY SENATORS:**

Cemal Basaran

Philip Glick

Fred Stoss

TBD

*[Handwritten signatures and notes: "TBD!!" and "Good Bye Jason!!"]*

**PRESIDENT OF THE UNIVERSITY AT BUFFALO:**

Satish Tripathi

**PROVOST OF THE UNIVERSITY AT BUFFALO:**

A. Scott Weber

**PROFESSIONAL STAFF SENATE:**

Tim Tryjankowski

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

Mike Montoro

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**INVITED GUESTS:**

Bob Granfield

**OTHERS IN ATTENDANCE:**

Multiple empty rows for listing other attendees.