



Faculty Senate Executive Committee Meeting  
May 05, 2021  
Zoom Hall

Attendance: Attached

The recordings of the April 28 meeting are uploaded onto UB Box.

The Chair Dr. Robert Miletich called the meeting to order at 3.00pm.

**Agenda:** The agenda was passed unanimously.

**Secretary's report.** The minutes were passed unanimously.

**Parliamentarian report:** None

**President's report:** President Tripathi thanked Dr Miletich for his service and welcomed Fred Stoss as the incoming Chair.

**Commencement:** 17 in person commencement ceremonies will be held between April 30 and May 16. Limited number of guests will be allowed to attend based on New York State Department of Health capacity restrictions.

**Dr. Michael Caine steps down:** After serving 15 years in leadership roles, Michael will step down effectively August 31, 2021. A search for the next Vice President and Dean will be initiated.

**Vice President for student life:** Dr. Brian F Hamluk as the Vice President of student life will lead the departments, units and services committed to enhancing and advancing the student experience. President Tripathi thanked Christina Hernandez for serving as the Interim Vice President for student life.

President Tripathi thanked the faculty for their impactful research and scholarship.

**Faculty awards:** 12 Faculty received Chancellors award. They include: The Chancellor's Award for Excellence in Scholarship and Creative Activities recognizes the work of those who engage actively in scholarly and creative pursuits beyond their teaching responsibilities. Recipients are *Jian Feng*, professor, Department of Physiology and Biophysics; *John Leddy*, clinical professor, Department of Orthopaedics; *Andrea Markelz*, professor, Department of Physics; *Gang Wu*, professor, Department of Chemical and Biological Engineering; *Jun Zhuang*, professor, Department of Industrial and Systems Engineering; and *Eva Zurek*, professor, Department of Chemistry.

The Chancellor's Award for Excellence in Teaching honors those who consistently demonstrate superb teaching at the undergraduate, graduate or professional level. Recipients are *Christine Bartholomew*, professor, School of Law; *James Lemoine*, assistant professor, Department of Organization and Human Resources; and *Marina Tsianou*, associate professor, Department of Chemical and Biological Engineering.

The Chancellor's Award for Excellence in Faculty Service recognizes "the consistently superior service contributions of teaching faculty" sustained over a period of time. Recipients are *Carole Emberton*, associate professor, Department of History, and *Victor Paquet*, professor and chair, Department of Industrial and Systems Engineering.

*James Chen*, an associate professor in the Department of Mechanical and Aerospace Engineering, has been selected for the 2021 Rising Star Award by the Electrostatics Society of America.

*Matt Burge*, assistant professor of teaching in the Department of Mechanical and Aerospace Engineering, has received the 2020-2021 Vanderhoef Faculty Award.

*Minghui Zheng*, an assistant professor in the Department of Mechanical and Aerospace Engineering at the University at Buffalo, has won a 2021 Faculty Early Career Development (CAREER) Award from the National Science Foundation.

**Provost report:** Provost Weber was appreciative of the work being carried out by the faculty during these trying times. 81% of the classes were expected to be in person during Fall. Compared to last year 10% more grant proposals have been submitted by the faculty. 65 Faculty went through the promotion process and were positively reviewed by the PRB. The Provost mentioned a few other awards received by the faculty in 2021.

Both the President and the Provost had a Q & A session.

**Presentation:**

*Peter Biehl*, as a Fellow of the American Council on Education gave insight into his work on academic analytics including Faculty recognition.

*PhD stipends:* Ken Dauber presented a report from the Budget priorities committee that has been uploaded onto UB Box. Provost Weber responded to the report that was followed by a discussion.

*Increase in PhD (living wage) stipends:* The resolution was presented by Ken Dauber. UB raised the stipends, funded it only for 2 years and reduced the number of candidates. The resolution asks that the University not cutting the



FACULTY SENATE

number of candidates and increasing the funding with the top 25 goal in mind. The motion was accepted, opened to discussion, the question was brought to the table, voted upon and passed with simple majority.

*Productivity during the pandemic:* The resolution was presented by Barbara Pinari. This resolution is calling upon academic leadership to ensure that reductions in productivity during the pandemic, not adversely impact faculty access to consideration for research leaves, discretionary salary increases or result in increased or shifted workload; and to solicit from faculty an optional supplement to the annual report detailing impacts of the pandemic on their work. The question was brought to the table, opened for discussion, voted upon and passed with a simple majority.

*Faculty Senate:* The agenda for the Faculty Senate meeting scheduled for 5/11/21 was approved.

**Adjourned:** Meeting adjourned at 4:30 pm.

Submitted by Jessy Alexander, Secretary of the Faculty Senate, May, 2021.

Name (Original Name)	User Email	Join Time	Leave Time	Duration (	Guest	Recording Consent
Maureen		5/5/2021 14:51	5/5/2021 15:02	12	Yes	Y
Jessy Alexander	jessyale@buffalo.edu	5/5/2021 14:52	5/5/2021 16:29	98	No	Y
Robert Miletich	miletich@buffalo.edu	5/5/2021 14:53	5/5/2021 16:29	96	No	Y
Adly Fam	afam@buffalo.edu	5/5/2021 14:56	5/5/2021 16:29	93	No	Y
Kenneth Dauber	dauber@buffalo.edu	5/5/2021 14:57	5/5/2021 16:15	79	No	Y
Peter Biehl	pbiehl@buffalo.edu	5/5/2021 14:57	5/5/2021 16:27	90	No	Y
Satish Tripathi	tripathi@buffalo.edu	5/5/2021 14:58	5/5/2021 15:46	49	No	Y
Michael Baugh		5/5/2021 14:58	5/5/2021 16:29	91	Yes	Y
Hiro Hata		5/5/2021 14:58	5/5/2021 16:29	91	Yes	Y
Michael Montoro	mnmontor@buffalo.edu	5/5/2021 14:58	5/5/2021 16:29	91	No	Y
Robert Granfield	rgranfie@buffalo.edu	5/5/2021 14:58	5/5/2021 16:29	91	No	Y
Marilyn Morris	memorris@buffalo.edu	5/5/2021 14:58	5/5/2021 16:28	90	No	Y
Barbara Prinari		5/5/2021 14:58	5/5/2021 16:29	91	Yes	Y
Matthew Dimick	mdimick@buffalo.edu	5/5/2021 14:59	5/5/2021 16:29	91	No	Y
Richard Gronostajski		5/5/2021 14:59	5/5/2021 16:29	90	Yes	Y
Paschalis Alexandridis	palexand@buffalo.edu	5/5/2021 14:59	5/5/2021 16:29	90	No	Y
Janina Brutt-Griffler		5/5/2021 14:59	5/5/2021 16:07	69	Yes	Y
Michael Dambra	mjdambra@buffalo.edu	5/5/2021 15:00	5/5/2021 15:59	60	No	Y
Laura Lewis	lalewis@buffalo.edu	5/5/2021 15:00	5/5/2021 16:28	89	No	Y
Tim Tryjankowski		5/5/2021 15:00	5/5/2021 16:28	89	Yes	Y
Alison Fraser	awfraser@buffalo.edu	5/5/2021 15:00	5/5/2021 16:28	89	No	Y
Albert Vexler	avexler@buffalo.edu	5/5/2021 15:00	5/5/2021 16:29	89	No	Y
Jennifer Livingston	jal7@buffalo.edu	5/5/2021 15:00	5/5/2021 15:41	41	No	Y
Anna Blumental-Perry	annablum@buffalo.edu	5/5/2021 15:01	5/5/2021 16:29	88	No	Y
A. Scott Weber	sweber@buffalo.edu	5/5/2021 15:01	5/5/2021 16:29	88	No	Y
E. Brooke Lerner		5/5/2021 15:02	5/5/2021 16:29	88	Yes	Y
E. Sherman		5/5/2021 15:03	5/5/2021 16:29	86	Yes	Y
Maureen Jameson		5/5/2021 15:03	5/5/2021 16:29	86	Yes	Y
Channa		5/5/2021 15:04	5/5/2021 15:10	7	Yes	Y
Shibly iPhone		5/5/2021 15:05	5/5/2021 15:12	7	Yes	Y
Fred Stoss UBuffalo		5/5/2021 15:05	5/5/2021 16:29	84	Yes	Y
Graham Hammill	ghammill@buffalo.edu	5/5/2021 15:09	5/5/2021 16:12	64	No	Y
Michael Cowen	cowen@buffalo.edu	5/5/2021 15:09	5/5/2021 16:28	80	No	Y
Othman Shibly		5/5/2021 15:11	5/5/2021 16:29	78	Yes	Y
R. J. Multari/UBuffalo	multari@buffalo.edu	5/5/2021 15:12	5/5/2021 16:29	78	No	Y
Philip Glick	glicklab@buffalo.edu	5/5/2021 15:28	5/5/2021 16:29	61	No	Y
Jennifer Livingston	jal7@buffalo.edu	5/5/2021 15:45	5/5/2021 16:29	45	No	
Cemal Basaran	cjb@buffalo.edu	5/5/2021 15:48	5/5/2021 16:28	41	No	Y
Michael Dambra	mjdambra@buffalo.edu	5/5/2021 16:01	5/5/2021 16:29	28	No	Y
Kenneth Dauber	dauber@buffalo.edu	5/5/2021 16:17	5/5/2021 16:21	5	No	