



# Faculty Senate Executive Committee Emergency Meeting June 30, 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:** To discuss a change of the academic calendar for the fall semester, that was recommended by the Campus Planning Committee. The change is to approve instruction on Labor Day pertinent only for 2020. The resolution is given below.

**Chair:** Dr Miletich called upon Graham Hammill to present the resolution (UB Box).

Dr Phil Glick proposed 2 amendments to the resolution (UB Box).

(1) All students returning to UB campus have to be COVID19 tested and remain in quarantine until testing results are obtained.

(2) All faculty and employees returning to UB campus have to be COVID19 tested and remain in quarantine until testing results are obtained.

The amendment number 1 was passed by a simple majority.

The amendment number 2 was passed by a simple majority.

The question was called for the resolution and voted upon.

Resolution was passed by a simple majority.

## **Resolution to hold instruction on Labor Day, Fall 2020 June 23, 2020**

Whereas in April, 2020, UB launched a framework of university-wide committees composed of over 180 faculty, staff, students and senior administrators, including 19 representatives of the Faculty Senate to develop plans for a variety of short and long-term scenarios in response to the COVID-19 pandemic;

And whereas that process led to the recommendation that UB return to campus in fall 2020 in a modified in-person capacity, which will include a mix of in-person instruction – within distancing and public health guidelines – and online courses;

And whereas to minimize the possibility of students and faculty who may be traveling to areas with high rates of COVID-19 infection returning to campus with the virus, UB will end in-person instruction before Fall Recess and continue the final 3 weeks of the semester remotely (exempted professional degree programs that must maintain in-person instruction due to accreditation or licensure requirements); and

Whereas the current Fall 2020 Academic Calendar creates the opportunity for students and faculty to travel to areas with high rates of COVID-19 infection by observing Labor Day;

Therefore, be it resolved that for fall 2020 only UB will conduct instruction on Labor Day.

**Current Academic Calendar:**

Monday, August 31, 2020	Classes Begin
Monday, Sept. 7, 2020	Labor Day Observed
Wednesday, Nov. 25 - Saturday, Nov. 28, 2020	Fall Recess
Friday, Dec. 11, 2020	Last Day of Classes
Saturday, Dec. 12 - Sunday, Dec. 13, 2020	Reading Days
Monday, Dec. 14 - Monday, Dec. 21, 2020	Semester Final Examinations
Tuesday, Dec. 22, 2020	Winter Recess Begins

**Proposed Academic Calendar:**

Monday, August 31, 2020	Classes Begin
Wednesday, Nov. 25 - Saturday, Nov. 28, 2020	Fall Recess
Friday, Dec. 11, 2020	Last Day of Classes
Saturday, Dec. 12 - Sunday, Dec. 13, 2020	Reading Days
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The Chair thanked the Senators for their time. This was the last meeting of the FSEC this academic session and it would resume function in the Fall.

**Adjourned:** Meeting was adjourned at 3.45 pm.

Submitted by Jessy Alexander, Secretary of the Faculty Senate, June 30, 2020.