



Faculty Senate Meeting  
October 19, 2021  
Online by Zoom

Attendance:

Proceedings of the meeting are uploaded onto UB Box.

The Chair, Fred Stoss called the Meeting to order at 3.02pm and welcomed everyone to the meeting.

**Agenda:** Agenda for the day was approved unanimously.

**Secretary's report:** The minutes of the previous meeting was approved unanimously.

**President's report:**

Allison Brashear, MD, MBA, Dean of the University of California, Davis School of Medicine, has been appointed vice president for health sciences and Dean of the Jacobs School of Medicine and Biomedical Sciences. She has had a distinguished and impactful career — including as a longtime champion of inclusion and social justice. As vice president for health sciences, Brashear will lead the strategic integration of interprofessional education and practice, health sciences collaborative research, and clinical programs among all of UB's health sciences schools, departments and hospital and clinical affiliates. Prior to serving as Dean at UC Davis, she was the chair of neurology at wake forest university school of medicine, where she was responsible for the near doubling of the Faculty. Her appointment begins on December six.

The President reminded the FS of the state of the University address delivered earlier and once again reiterated the highlights.

Although the retention and graduation rates are strong, UB is committed to improving them further still. It is UBs goal to have a retention rate of 95% and graduation rate of 65% by 2025.

UB continues to support academic and scholarly excellence with enhancement of the living learning environment across the campuses. UB is also building a culture in harmony with its values of social justice across our university: from the recruitment and hiring of faculty to operations, to student experience, to curriculum, and to our engagement with the Community. The President's Advisory Council on race is exploring how we can live our social justice values. The Provost and the committees are working to operationalize the council's recommendations.

Where sustainability is concerned, UB continues to be a global leader in fact according to 2021 Times Higher Education UB is ranked number one in the world for Climate Action. Clearly UB is growing in standing among the top public research universities, thanks to the collective work, UB is in a great position to situate itself among the top public research universities in the nation.

There was a discussion regarding solar panels, telecommuting, and electric vehicle infrastructure by Phil Glick, while Barbara Pinari initiated a discussion regarding the PhD stipends and UB's place among the top tier universities.

**Provost's report:**

The Provost continued to build on the president's comments on the aspirations for the university to be highly recognized. He spoke of the faculty diversification with increase in underrepresented faculty, strengthening of the academic programs and achieving higher rankings, the breadth and quality of the programs and the membership metrics, funding, citations, faculty awards of distinction, academic quality of entering cohorts & test optional. The Provost suggested inviting Craig Abbey, Vice Provost for institutional analysis to speak in a lot more granularity. He continued to speak about faculty resources, student success, peer assessments, Halo effect, targeted collaborations, and enhancing critical programs. A discussion ensued regarding, rankings, penalty, PhD students etc.

**Chair's report:** Uploaded on UB Box. Fred spoke of replenishing and revitalizing the FS standing committees.

**Presentation:**

**President's advisory council on race:** Suzanne Rosenblith presented to the FS, the steering committee co-chaired by her and Mark Alnutt. There are 7 different subcommittees on scholarship tenure and recognition; staff recruitment mentoring and advancement; Student experience and programs; curriculum and pedagogy; undergraduate committee, inclusive space committee and community engagement. The slides are on UB Box.

**Faculty representation:** There was a discussion regarding Faculty representation on UB council.

**Gina Prescott**, clinical associate faculty Member in the school of pharmacy and pharmaceutical sciences and runs a refugee education program spoke about the expected Afghan refugees and UBs response.

**Kristin Manhardt** from the central office of annual giving under university advancement spoke of the university wide crowdfunding platform that is used to help fund an array of programs through different schools unit.

**Committees:** The Chair presented names of volunteers for the ad hoc child care, eldercare committees and the Faculty satisfaction or survey Committee.

**Parliamentarian:** The Chair introduced the Parliamentarian, Nicholas Ogam to the FS.

**Adjourned:** Meeting adjourned at 4:32 pm.

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



Executive Committee Meeting  
Tuesday, October 19, 2021  
3:00 - 4:30 p.m.

**CHAIR:**

Fred Stoss – ✓

**SECRETARY:**

Jessy Alexander – ✓

**PARLIAMENTARIAN:**

Nicholas Chibuikem Ogam – ✓

**ARCHITECTURE & PLANNING:**

Hiro Hata –

Kerry Traynor – ✓

**COLLEGE OF ARTS & SCIENCES:**

Michael Cowen – ✓

Maureen Jameson –

Barbara Prinari – ✓

Kristin Stapleton – ✓

Jason Benedict – ✓

Gino Biondini – ✓

Sampson Blair – ✓

Julie Bowker –

Vesna Danilovic – ✓

Christopher Dennison – ✓

Grady Gambrel – ✓

Walter Hakala – ✓

Eero Laine – ✓

Chad Lavin – ✓

Yiqiang Li – ✓

Sara Metcalf – ✓

Kimberly Meehan –

Carine Mardorossian – ✓

Harvey Palmer – ✓
Justin Read – ✓
Wei Sun –
Liana Vardi – ✓
Marion Werner – ✓

<b>DENTAL MEDICINE:</b>
Othman Shibly –
Richard Hall –
Michelle Kay –
Benita Sobieraj – ✓

<b>EDUCATIONAL OPPORTUNITY CENTER:</b>
Michael Baugh – ✓

<b>ENGINEERING &amp; APPLIED SCIENCES:</b>
Paschalis Alexandridis – ✓
Marina Tsianou – ✓
Kevin Burke – ✓
Lora Cavuoto – ✓
Qiaoqiang Gan –
Julia Latorre – ✓
Hilde Martinez-Leon –
Presentacion Reyes – ✓
Kallol Sett – ✓
Tarunraj Singh – ✓
Farah Percy Vandrevale – ✓
Jose Walteros –
Junson Yuan – ✓
Jennifer Zirnheld – ✓

<b>GRADUATE SCHOOL OF EDUCATION:</b>
Tiffany Karalis-Noel – ✓
Blythe Anderson – ✓
Stephanie Fredrick – ✓

Alisa Husain – ✓

**LAW:**

Matthew Steilen – ✓

Matthew Dimick –

Patrick Long –

Stephen Paskey –

**MANAGEMENT:**

Michael Dambra –

Laura Amo – ✓

Myungsun Kim – ✓

Chunchi Wu – ✓

**MEDICINE & BIOMEDICAL SCIENCES:**

Anna Blumental-Perry – ✓

Channa Kolb – ✓

E. Brooke Lerner – ✓

Michael Morales – ✓

Yongho Bae – ✓

Vanessa Barnabei – ✓

Elsa Bou Ghanem – ✓

Marilou Ching – ✓

Richard Chou –

Stewart Clark – ✓

Michael Duffey – ✓

Valerie Elberson – ✓

Michael Farkas – ✓

Edward Fine – ✓

Seth Glassman – ✓

Michael Guppenberger – ✓

Wilma Hofmann – ✓

Liise Kayler – ✓

Supriya Mahajan – ✓

Yaron Perry – ✓

Matthew Ruggieri – ✓

Ferdinand Schweser – ✓

Spyridon Stavrou – ✓

Elizabeth Wohlfert – ✓

Ahmad Zaaroura – ✓

#### **NURSING:**

Jennifer Livingston – ✓

Darryl Somayaji – ✓

#### **PHARMACY:**

Marilyn Morris – ✓

Nicole Cieri-Hutherson – ✓

Erin Slazak – ✓

#### **PUBLIC HEALTH AND HEALTH PROFESSIONS:**

Albert Vexler – ✓

Adam Graczyk – ✓

Jeanne Langan – ✓

Vijaya Prakash K. Muthaiah – ✓

Todd Rideout – ✓

#### **SOCIAL WORK:**

Annahita Ball – ✓

Peter Sobota – ✓

#### **UNIVERSITY LIBRARIES:**

John Beatty – ✓

Carolyn Klotzbach-Russell – ✓

Deborah Chiarella (alternate) –

**SUNY SENATORS:**

Cemal Basaran – ✓

Amit Kandel – ✓

Patrick Long –

R.J. Multari – ✓

Ken Seldeen (alternate) –

**PRESIDENT OF THE UNIVERSITY AT BUFFALO:**

Satish Tripathi – ✓

**PROVOST OF THE UNIVERSITY AT BUFFALO:**

Scott Weber – ✓

**PROFESSIONAL STAFF SENATE:**

Tim Tryjankowski – ✓

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

Brianna Bennett –

**INVITED GUESTS:**

Suzanne Rosenblith – ✓

Gina Prescott – ✓

**UNIVERSITY LEADERSHIP:**

Robert Granfield – ✓

Graham Hammill –

William McDonnell – ✓

Eileen Sherman – ✓

Ann Bisantz – ✓

Kristin Manhardt – ✓

**OTHERS IN ATTENDANCE:**

Jessica Naish –

Bob Miletich - ✓

Nicole Hutcherson - ✓



