



Faculty Senate Meeting
December 15, 2020
Online by Zoom

Attendance:

Proceedings of the meeting are uploaded onto UB Box.

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

Agenda: Agenda was approved unanimously.

Secretary's report: The Secretary reminded everyone that run off election for the position of FS Chair was in progress and encouraged all Senators to vote.

Minutes from the meeting of November 17, 2020 was accepted unanimously.

President's report: The President gave an update of the Fall semester. Even though these were unprecedented times caused by the pandemic, the students continued to receive exceptional education and UB has continued its mission of reaching the top 25. He thanked the faculty for their hard work.

The research enterprise continues its forward trajectory with Jean Wactawski-Wende received 8.1 million from the NIH for the Womens Health Initiative. The DOE has awarded a UB research team \$8.5 million to study hybrid rockets, a technology that could provide a safer and less expensive way to explore outer space compared to conventional rockets.

Xiaoliang Zhang, SUNY Empire Innovation Professor in the Department of Biomedical Engineering, is leading a team of researchers — from UB; University of California, Berkeley; Stanford University; University of Minnesota; Cleveland Clinic; and GE Global Research — to develop advanced MRI techniques. Funded by a five-year, \$3.7 million Bioengineering Research Partnership U01 grant from the National Institutes of Health, the team will develop sensitive imaging tools for morphological and functional characterization of ligaments, tendons and bone, which are essential for studying semi-solid connective tissues in health and disease.

He gave a brief overview of all the student programs such as mental health, tutoring, career service, creative writing etc. UB football team has ranked in top 25.

Provost's report: The Provost stated that all in person classes were stopped after the Thanksgiving break. UB continues to conduct surveillance testing and maintains a positivity rate of less than 0.5%. Spring break was removed to reduce the spread of the virus. Spring session would be online or hybrid based on the courses.

UBs research enterprise continues during COVID19. UB scientists are testing melatonin as a treatment for patients with mild and moderate COVID-19. UB's Institutional Review Board has granted approval to the researchers to use melatonin to treat COVID-19 patients under an Investigational New Drug Approval provisionally granted by the FDA.

'Four UB professors have been elected fellows of the American Association for the Advancement of Science (AAAS), the world's largest general scientific society and publisher of the journal Science.

The new UB fellows include:

- Eaton Lattman, emeritus professor of materials design and innovation in the School of Engineering and Applied Sciences, and of structural biology in the Jacobs School of Medicine and Biomedical Sciences at UB.
- Xiufeng Liu, professor of learning and instruction in the Graduate School of Education.
- Janet Morrow, UB Distinguished Professor and Larkin Professor of Chemistry in the College of Arts and Sciences.
- Stefan Ruhl, professor of oral biology in the School of Dental Medicine.

AAAS fellows will be recognized in the journal Science on Nov. 27. An induction ceremony will be held during the virtual AAAS Fellows Forum on Feb. 13.'

William J. Jusko, SUNY Distinguished Professor of Pharmaceutical Sciences in the School of Pharmacy and Pharmaceutical Sciences, has received the 2020 Distinguished Pharmaceutical Scientist Award from the American Association of Pharmaceutical Sciences (AAPS).

Samantha Barbas, Professor of Law. University at Buffalo School of Law won the highly competitive 2020 Public Scholars Program from the National Endowment for the Humanities (NEH).

Chairs report:

A moment of silence was maintained in memory of Madeleine Mathiot, Professor Emeritus, Department of Linguistics, College of Arts and Sciences

Rest of the report is on UB Box.

Parliamentarian report: None.

Old Business/New business: Three resolutions that have been uploaded on UB Box.

1. Resolution (second reading) presented by Fred Stoss: Racial Equity and Social Justice Curriculum passed at the 186th Plenary of SUNY, October 15-17, 2020 was passed by a vote of 58:1:2.

2. Resolution (second reading) presented by Fred Stoss: Resolution regarding the importance of maintaining effective shared governance practices during times of crisis, passed at 186th Plenary, October 15-17, 2020 was passed by a vote 59:0:2.

The Chair, Robert Miletich will transmit the results to Gwen Kay, Oswego, President of the SUNY Faculty Senate.

3. Resolution: (second reading) presented by Phil Glick - Resolution by the FSEC to Support Establishing an Article 43 Safety and Health Committee at UB. It was passed by votes of 55:3:3.

The Chair, Robert Miletich will transmit the results to Satish Tripathi, UB President for promulgation.

Executive session: None

Adjourned: Meeting was adjourned at 3.45 pm. -



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

Faculty Senate Meeting
Tuesday, December 15, 2020

3:00 – 4:30 P.M.

FACULTY SENATE OFFICERS

Bob Miletich - X

Jessy Alexander - X

Richard Gronostajski - X

SCHOOL OF ARCHITECTURE AND PLANNING 2/3

Hiro Hata – (DECLINED)

Zoe Hamstead –

COLLEGE OF ARTS AND SCIENCES 12/31

Michael Cowen -

Ken Dauber -

Maureen Jameson - X

Barbara Prinari - X

Jason Benedict - X

Andrew Byrne -

Vesna Danilovic - X

Walter Hakala - X

Yiqiang Li - X

Carine Mardorossian - X

Marion Werner -

Wendy Quinton - X

SCHOOL OF DENTAL MEDICINE 3/4

Othman Shibly - X

Dana Keblawi - X

Richard Hall - X

EDUCATIONAL OPPORTUNITY CENTER 1/1**Michael Baugh - X****SCHOOL OF ENGINEERING AND APPLIED SCIENCES 14/14****Paschalis Alexandridis - X****Adly Fam - X**

John Atkinson - X

Kevin Burke - X

Lora Cavuoto - X

Qiaoqiang Gan - X

Qing He -

Matthew Hertz - X

Michael Langberg - X

Presentacion Reyes - X

Tarunraj Singh -

Marina Tsianou – X

Jun Zhuang - X

Jennifer Zirnheld - X

GRADUATE SCHOOL OF EDUCATION 5/4**Janina Brutt-Griffler -**

Aliza Husain -

Sunha Kim -

Tiffany Karalis-Noel - X

Michele Shanahan -

SCHOOL OF LAW 3/3**Matthew Dimick - X**

Michael Boucai - X

Bernadette Gargano - X

SCHOOL OF MANAGEMENT 2/5**Michael Dambra - X**

Myungsun Kim - X

Chunchi Wu - X

Laura Amo - X

SCHOOL OF MEDICINE AND BIOMEDICAL SCIENCES 24/25**Anna Blumental-Perry - X****Channa Kolb - X****E. Brooke Lerner - X**

Rabheh Abdul Aziz - X

Vanessa Barnabei -

Kathleen Bethin - X

Elsa Bou Ghanem - X

Peter Bradford -

Elie Chemaly

Richard Chou -

Stewart Clark - X

Zhanna Elberg -

Valerie Elberson - X

Edward Fine - X

Eleanor Fung -

Wilma Hofmann - X

Bree Kramer -

Jeffrey Mullin -

Matthew Ruggieri - X

Christine Schaner-Tooley - X

Ferdinand Schweser - X

Umesh Sharma -

Rabi Yacoub - X

Jeffrey Yu - X

Ahmad Zaaroura - X

SCHOOL OF NURSING 2/2**Jennifer Livingston - X**

Darryl Somayaji - X

SCHOOL OF PHARMACY 3/3**Marilyn Morris -X**

Nicole Cieri-Hutcherson - X

Erin Slazak - X

SCHOOL OF PUBLIC HEALTH & HEALTH PROFESSIONS 3/4
Albert Vexler -
Adam Graczyk - X
Jeanne Langan - X
Heather Ochs-Balcom - X
Todd Rideout - X

SCHOOL OF SOCIAL WORK 2/2
Laura Lewis - X
Peter Sobota –

UNIVERSITY LIBRARIES 4/4
Alison Fraser – (Excused)
Susan Davis-Bartl -
John Beatty - X
Carolyn Klotzbach-Russell - X

SUNY SENATORS 4/4
Cemal Basaran – (Excused)
Philip Glick - X
R.J. Multari - X
Fred Stoss - X

PRESIDENT OF THE UNIVERSITY AT BUFFALO: Satish Tripathi - X
PROVOST OF THE UNIVERSITY AT BUFFALO: A. Scott Weber - X
PROFESSIONAL STAFF SENATE: Tim Tryjankowski
COUNCIL OF ADVOCACY AND LEADERSHIP (COAL): Mike Montoro - X

72 Senators + 4 SUNY Senators = 76 members

39 needed for quorum

107 Senator Seats + 2 Officer Seats = 109 Seats in the Faculty Senate

Faculty Senate Meeting
Tuesday,
March 3, 2020

Jacobs School of Medicine and Biomedical Sciences

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GUESTS – Please Sign In

Alternates – Please Sign In for Senator where they would sign.

Jessica Naish - X
Robert Granfield - X