

SUNY Delhi.

Senate Meeting Minutes February 16, 2026

Present: Brian Bean, Genevieve Salerno, Doug Holub, Mary Bonderoff, Alice Krause, Cheri Rossi, Galya Nocheva, Dan Davis, Barbara Davies, Diana Pollard, Elizabeth Pratt, Shannon Shoemaker, Shai Butler, Francesca Donancricchia, Jason Cash, Max Dehne, Ruth Ehrets, David Brower, Nazely Kurkjian, Kari Haugeto, Barbara D'Anna, Dan Gashler, Mary Wake, Beth Boyd, Chelsea Matthiew, Michael Tweed, Rachel Seeber, Erin Wagner, Sanum Shafi, Heather Schwartz, Lori Tremblay, Lisa Tessier, Beth Boyd

Proxies: none

Meeting starts: 4:37 PM

Welcome! We hope everyone and their families are healthy and safe – please mute.

Approval of February 2, 2026 meeting minutes

Motion made by Elizabeth P., second by Kari H.

Spelling error discussed. Will be corrected amended minutes.

Vote taken 15 yes, 0 no. Minutes accepted.

Updates: President updates – Mary B. –

- **Diana Pollard** has joined the college as **Vice President for College Advancement**. Her position is being **funded by the college foundation** because the college is moving quickly into a **major comprehensive fundraising campaign**, which is why the search process was **fast-tracked** with foundation representatives involved.
- The college is already seeing **strong early donations**, including a **significant gift from the Brooks family** for **scholarships and renovation funding**. A **reception to meet Diana** will be held **Wednesday at 2:00 in Room 131**. Another **celebration for the Brooks donation** will happen this spring, even though the construction fund timing is uncertain.
- We are trending positively for the fall as far as Enrollments. Thank you to the enrollment folks for their work on this. Open houses, meeting with students and their families, have really helped.
- Mary is participating in SUNY Chancellor's Working Group for Faculty & Staff Well-Being; please completed the distributed survey. Our feedback as a campus is important.
- Mental Health Summit scheduled for **March 31, 2026**.

- Mary is serving as lead on the Student Leadership Institute for Disability Support; recent networking in Albany.
- Attended EOP alumni recognition event during caucus weekend.
- Search underway for the CADI Executive Director; encouraged sharing the posting
- ACMO progress places Delhi “ahead” of other campuses; thanked campus partners.
- Internal leadership training initiative being developed for aspiring faculty/staff leaders; anticipated rollout *Fall 2026*.
- Mary is hoping to get back into visiting each Department on a regular basis.

Questions:

Discussion about the roles of faculty and staff in the College Foundation and the work they do. Would like to see more faculty and staff representation in the Foundation and college advancement in general. Another call will go out for faculty and staff to join the foundation. Discussion of concerns about capacity and expertise for the proposed internal leadership program.

Discussion about in-house leadership training as well as SUNY and CPD training which can be cost and seating prohibitive. Ways to build on the incredible work that people are doing so far and how to continue to grow our campus personnel in a sustainable way brought forward.

One Stop Update - Galya N. –

- Yearly report was run and results are in. Student financial services have answered over 12,000 for the year and roughly 3000 phone call for the registrar. Would like to get some more training for how to answer their questions because of the particular needs of the registrar.
- More than 4000 students seen in person between 11 and 14 minutes since the beginning of this year. Students seem happy with the services provided so far and the culture of the campus has been noteworthy.
- Looking for changes in the withdrawal process, and ways to make it a more positive experience for students. We meet with students who want to withdraw and ask them if they want to see anyone else other than Health and Counseling and advising. We have found that most of the time students do not want to leave but there are often extenuating circumstances that may draw them away from completing their education so we have been working with other offices as well to help students get the most information they need to make the best decision for themselves.
- Please be sure to let us know if you encounter a student that is struggling with either bills other than tuition, and textbooks as there is CADI Sodexo funding that may be available for that.
- Academic buildings will have FAFSA and other info tables starting in March, we will also be going into residence halls and the library. Striving to be more recognizable and accessible to reach as many students as possible.

- Will also be creating flags on Starfish for FAFSA so everyone in a student's success network can see it.

Questions:

Discussion about the excellent work OneStop is doing, as well as the availability of funding for online and in person students for textbooks, etc. Balancing staff between the One Stop and coordinated outreach around campus was also discussed with emphasis put on staffing schedules meant to maintain uninterrupted coverage.

Presider update - Doug H. –

- Campus is still moving towards eliminating campus-wide contract for Zoom.
- Remediation of sources for Title II, pop up sessions will continue and there will be a person hired to help with assessment as well as with remediation as needed.
- Brainstorming ways to increase evaluation completion rates among students is ongoing. We are always looking for ideas.
- Discussions about processes to help with vetting potential adjunct or temporary hires ongoing.
- Faculty handbook update announcements as well as yearly announcements about updates have been discussed.
- Advisor training for new advisors, as well as continuing advisors potentially through Brightspace or KnowBe4.
- Degreeworks still does not show minors but there is work being done to try to get that available. SICAS may be a resource for this.
- Work underway to have **minors appear in Degree Works** (toggle needed via SUNY Technical Services).
- Three classroom door lock prototypes to be tested for safety improvements.
- Discussions beginning about **new employee mentorship programs** for faculty/staff.

No discussion or questions.

Old Business

UFS Winter Plenary Resolutions - Barbara D.

Second viewing of resolutions. Summaries of each resolution provided.

202-01-01 EC Amend Policy Regarding Display of the Flag

Doug H. - motion to endorse?

Motion made by Alice K., second by Cheri R.

No discussion.

Vote taken 16 yes. 0 no. Resolution endorsed.

202-02-01 EID Support DEISJ Knowledge Areas

Motion to endorse made by Alice K., second by Barbara D.

No discussion.

Vote taken: 14 yes, 0 no. Motion to endorse passes.

202-03-01 G&R Responding to Program and Funding Cuts

Motion to endorse made by Barbara D., second by Dan G.

No discussion.

Vote taken: 17 yes, 0 no. Motion endorsed.

202-04-01 EC Executive Budget Resolution

Motion to endorse by Barbara D., second by Alice K.

No discussion.

Vote taken: 17 yes, 0 no. Motion endorsed.

New Business

Curriculum Proposals - Erin W. - Health and nursing classes bundled - ALHT 500 and 501 updated descriptions, grad level restriction added. NURS 509, 600, 601, 607, 609, SLOs updated as well as course descriptions.

Motion to vote made by Elizabeth P., second by Barbara D.

Vote taken: 16 yes, 0 no. Motion passes.

Erin W. – Biology AS update to match PLOs to match catalogue, COMM 202 new course for digital humanities, Applies COMM BS updated to include COMM 202, Env Sus name change, HIST 305 update of attributes, UNIV 102 and 105 new course with EOP curriculum and LASC designation.

Motion to approve made by Lori T., second by Alice K.

Vote taken: 15 yes, 0 no.

Erin W. - VETS 216 add civic discourse SLO, VETS 232 updating pre-reqs, VETS 481 and VETS 48X paired, new lab course added.

Motion to approve made by Genevieve S., second by Cheri R.

Vote taken: 15 yes, 0 no. Motion passes.

Announcements

David B.: Announcement to go out to staffing in the registrar's office. Lynn and Caitlin are out right now and will not have access to SUNY Delhi resources at this time. Seamless transition of service will be taking up by Mackenzie Tarpy and Rachel Martin.

In need of two Faculty Senators and one Staff Senator for Budget & Planning Committee

Meeting Minutes Availability: : <https://www.delhi.edu/academics/college-senate/minutes/index.php>

The Diversity, Equity, Inclusion, and Social Justice Fellows will offer two webinars:

February 2nd, 12noon: "Building LGBTQ+ Inclusive Classrooms"

February 23rd, 12noon: "At the Intersection of DEISJ and Sustainability" (in collaboration with the Sustainability Faculty Fellows)

Register for the DEISJ webinars at the Center for Professional Development webpage.

The Sustainability Faculty Fellows are offering a webinar series titled "SUNY Sustainability Faculty Series: From Foundation to Practice." This is a four-part professional development series supporting SUNY faculty in integrating sustainability across General Education. Each session features interactive activities, disciplinary applications from across General Education, and practical implementation tools. Whether you're new to sustainability education or looking to deepen your practice, leave with ready-to-use resources, a growing community of practice, and confidence to make sustainability relevant in your courses.

February 6th, 11am: "Sustainability Across Disciplines: Introduction to General Education Integration"

March 6th, 11am: "Sustainability in the Arts, Humanities, History, and DEISJ"

April 2nd, 11am: "Sustainability in the Natural Sciences and Mathematics"

April 24th, 11am: "Sustainability in Action: Approaches to Applied Learning"

Registration is available at the Center for Professional Development webpage.

The Civil Discourse and Civic Education and Engagement Fellows will offer one webinar:

February 19th, 12noon: “Strategies to Address Psychological Barriers to Civic Discourse”
Registration is available at the Center for Professional Development webpage.

Adjournment 5:27 PM