



Senate Meeting Minutes May 1, 2023

Present: Terry Hamblin, Daniel Gashler, Liz Frisbee, Alice Krause, Mark Sullivan, Genevieve Salerno, Doug Holub, John Padovani, Shannon Shoemaker, Louis Reyes, Jr., Lauren Sloane, Jason Cash, Mary Bonderoff, Simon Purdy, Laruei Jones, Davis, Michael Tweed, Lindsay Walker, Max Dehne, Erin Wagner, Kristy Fitch, Mary Wake, Cheri Rossi, Bret Meckel, Beth Boyd, David Brower, Lisa Tessier, Nazely Kurkjian, Lori Tremblay, Allene Slating, Susan Deane, Jennifer Collins, Lori Ciafardoni, Doug Gulotty, Dave Wakin, Michael Sullivan, Joyce Shim, Barb Sturdevant, Chelsea Mathieu, Dan Davis

Proxies: Kristy F. proxy for Robb Munro, Cheri R. proxy for Brigid Finn-Maguire, Mary W. proxy for Leslie Barger

Meeting called to order at 4:31 PM.

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

Approval of April 17, 2023 meeting minutes.

Motion to approve made by Jason C. Second by Lindsay W.

Discussion: none

Vote taken: Yes – 20; No – 0. Motion passes.

Updates:

OIC – Mary B. -- Thank you for all the conversations that have taken place. Hopefully, more to share in the coming weeks. Thank you for all the push, support, and efforts in making some of these initiatives happen as we move forward. Busy finalizing Dr. King's visit. If you see him tomorrow, please be sure to say 'hello'! Middle States update: we have sent a response to the report with data. Waiting to hear response. Hoping to move to recommendations and away from requirements. Action items have been created and assigned to key cabinet members. Continuing to build fundraising opportunities. Hopefully, some grant money coming our way as well as significant asks through industry partners.

Questions: none.

Alice K.: Thank you for coming and sharing these updates with us! Provost will be joining us on May 15, 2023 with updates. Some E-Board updates however. E-board will be meeting with Mary B. this week so please let us know if you have any items you would like discussed. UFS Plenary attended (Lisa T. and Alice K.) Went well. Met with new chancellor. Each sector was able to ask

some direct questions and many of them focused on DEI and hiring, as well as workload in the tech sector. Resolution to be brought forward about DEI and hiring practices.

Cheri R. – Delhi Today announcements calling for nominations to Senate. Starting to get some nominations. Next week will be the voting week. This will be in Delhi Today. Please urge staff members to run for some of these staff roles.

Old Business:

Bylaws proposal: Cheri R. – To remove language like “Learning Management systems”.

Motion made by Kristy F. and seconded by Jenny C.

Discussion: none

Vote taken: Yes – 24; no – 0. Motion carries.

DEI ILOs: Jason Cash on behalf of Assessment Committee. ILO as designed was going to be difficult to assess in a reasonable and manageable way. Look at ways to align it with SUNYs DEISJ ILO.

Motion made by Erin W., and second by Dan G.

Discussion: none.

Vote taken: Yes – 23; no – 0. Motion carries.

Petition to graduate: Lauren S.: Petition to graduate references CAP which is no longer used. Changes made to update the documents to modern wording. And all instructions will be on the registrar and curriculum websites.

Motion to approve made by Terry H., and seconded by Jason C.

Discussion: Cheri R. – Question for Lauren S. Does this still require a student to run an audit of their own transcript through Degreeworks?

Lauren S.: Right now this is just meant to put the contracts on the registrar’s website and no other changes are being made at this time.

Vote taken: Yes – 24; no – 0. Motion passes.

Universal Syllabus: Allene S.: Minor changes to the Universal Syllabus. Minor adjustments such as updated links. Updated process for pronouns. Users can add their pronouns into their Brightspace profile if they so choose. It is an unofficial means but it is still available. Any online/hybrid course that student uses federal aid to pay for, it must have forms of standard initiated contact between teacher and student. Welcome any thoughts.

Alice K. Any questions or points of clarification?

Erin W. – Thanks Allene for looking into this. It sounds like you are recommending the RSI wording for online and hybrid courses.

Allene S. – Yes. As far as in-person classes, these guidelines may be beneficial but they are meant more as a guideline for online/hybrid courses.

Lisa T. – I understand the intent in this. Curious as to the ability of the School or Department to set their own guidelines?

Allene S.: Certain areas, such as Nursing, can put certain things in their syllabus if they so desire.

Alice K. This will be voted on at the May 15, 2023 meeting.

Menstrual Equity Resolution: Lisa T.: Students put in a proposal with the Resolution Committee to create a resolution for this topic. This is the result. Even though we are grateful that there is an effort to supply these products in the residence halls, we are hoping that this resolution will also be put into action as it helps guests of the campus, as well as commuter students.

Erin W. – Mission statement mentioned in the second to last page may need to be updated.

Dave W.: Do we know how much this will cost the campus.

Alice K.: One thing we need to remember is this is just a Senate call for action, by supporting a resolution like this.

Erin W.: Did mention grants and some things that went into that as cited in the proposal.

Announcements:

Erin W: Since Vancko Hall is becoming inactive, have we figured out where the Senate stuff is going to go?

Alice K. : Will be putting something forward before our June meeting.

Kristy F.: Should be able to use Vancko Hall for the June meeting still.

Alice K.: Please encourage people to run for seats on Senate! May 15, 2023 meeting will have many things on it. Thank you to all for how efficient these meetings have been.

Adjourned at 5:11 PM.