



## **Senate Meeting Minutes November 14, 2022**

**Present:** Cheri Rossi, Genevieve Salerno, James Warren, Terry Hamblin, Michele Frazier, Lauralea Edwards, Erin Wagner, Kristy Fitch, Jennifer Collins, Susan Deane, Mark Sullivan, Thomas Jordan, Mary Bonderoff, Lindsay Walker, Simon Purdy, John Padovani, Peter Brusoe, Max Dehne, Daniel Gashler, Doug Holub, Karen Teitelbaum, Shelly Jones, Lisa Tessier, Brigid Finn-Maguire, Brett Meckel, Laurie Jones, Shannon Shoemaker, Beth Boyd, Doug Gulotty, Louis Reyes Jr., Robb Munro, Leslie Barger, Michael Tweed, Mary Wake, Jason Cash, Liz Frisbee, Joyce Shim, Tomas Aguirre, David Brower, Lori Ciafardioni, Dave Wakin, Nazely Kurkjian, Leonel Diaz

**Proxies:** Louis Reyes Jr. proxy for Kaleigh Lacy

### **Meeting called to order at 4:31pm**

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

Approval of November 14, 2022 meeting minutes

Doug H. makes motion, seconded by Jason C.

Discussion: none

Vote taken: yes – 26; no – 0; abstain – 0. Vote passes.

### **Updates: Officer-in-Charge, Provost, E-board**

**Mary Bonderoff** -- Still holding open office hours from 10:00 am to noon on Fridays. Fireside chat with Academic Affairs in Centennial Hall on December 2, 2022 at 3:00 pm. Zoom link is also available in Delhi Today Employee Edition. On December 6, 2022 from 12:30 to 1:30 please join Mary B. and Chelsea Matthieu for Fireside Discussion about Budget. Also: Pizza with the President on December 7, 2022. End of semester celebration on December 12, 2022 from 2:00p to 5p.

Michele F. – For how long are you holding the open office hours this semester?

Mary B. -- Last day is the 16<sup>th</sup> of December.

**Update from Thomas Jordan** – Applied Technology group got back from successful experience in Texas in NECA? Library Con was a great success! Will be hosting another one next year and they got to give away a laptop donated by the Provost's Office. Academic Forum Fireside Chat this Friday. Put your questions into the form if you have any so they can be

answered. Faculty Evaluations: spoke with HR and HR is still working on this. Three level review but it may not need to have a signature. Still working on this. If just signed by Dean and reviewed by President and Provost that should be ok. Currently working with Susan Deane from Nursing Program regarding accelerated program. 12/30/22 Program Directors and Program Coordinators meeting. Opportunity to meet with them and hear concerns. International student population: will be meeting with Mr. Bishop of Cambridge in order to figure out ways to attract international students. Coffee and treats at the library 12/12/22 5:30p to 8:00p. Hot chocolate, coffee and cookies at the library for students.

Lauralea E. – Thank you. Program review, program assessment, or both?

Thomas J.-- Academic Council and Academic Program Assessment Committee asked for this meeting to take place, but it does not have anything to do with assessment or program review.

### **E-Board with Alice K.**

After last senate meeting, Lisa T. and Alice K. went to College Council Meeting. Talked about mission and vision and Lauralea E. also gave update on Middle States. Preparations are underway with College Council for Middle States visit. Must approve mission and vision. Any question or if you are curious please feel free to talk to Lisa T. and Alice K. or join them as they are streaming. Middle States Steering Committee meeting. Planning for next assessment on 1/4/23: all about accreditation. Continuing to meet with all the senators. Also would be happy to meet with any committee. Please consider attending the academic open forum.

### **Old Business**

#### **D2L Brightspace URL – Lauralea Edwards**

Share feedback regarding D2L URL “ODE”. Would like to discontinue use of Vancko Hall as this is confusing as to whether or not it is a real place, but would like to use the name “Vanko” for something else.

Kristy F. – ODE is fine, but might still be just as confusing for new folks coming in.

Shelly J. – makes sense to name it something else but confusing if there is going to be online or on campus students. How will we communicate that it can be used for both.

Doug G. – ODE is copyrighted by Garfield!

Brigid F. – Can Bronco be a better fit?

Lauralea E. – Would like to keep it as plain and obvious as possible so maybe Bronco might be too ambiguous. Can I take this as the Senate is fairly supportive of this?

Alice K. – Yes it would appear so.

Dave W – Can we just keep it Virtual.Hall.Delhi.edu? That way it might be clearer.

Jennifer C. – If you are married to ODE, acronyms do not count as copyrighted.

Lauralea E. – How does Virtual Hall sound?

Erin W. – Not sure if students would know what a virtual hall is and could still be too ambiguous.

Simon P. – Might still be too confusing. Vancko can be something to be honored soon because it's a central part of our campus honoring her legacy.

Cheri R. – Virtual Hall makes sense from an internal standpoint, but someone who works strictly with online students, the “Hall” part of it is where they get hung up. Maybe move away from using word “Hall” will bring more clarity.

Robb M. – Having Delhi in it would be a good thing: virtual.delhi.edu?

Terry H. – what do other schools call their stuff?

Lauralea E. – Not sure who else is using a vanity URL. SUNY link is “mylearning” but that could also be used for a couple different things and so the concern was what happens if we change again?

Alice K. – Happy to take anymore comments via email.

### **Mission Vision Refresh – Lauralea Edwards**

Mostly positive feedback aside from other basic wordsmithing.

Motion to endorse made by Lisa T. and seconded by Jason C.

Discussion – none

Vote taken: yes – 28; no – 0; abstention -- 1. Motion carries.

### **UFS Resolutions – Lisa Tessier (Resolutions Committee)**

Standing rules amendment to include in-person planning meeting instead of virtual.

Motion to endorse made by Lori C. and Terry H. seconded.

Discussion: none.

Vote taken: yes – 25; no – 2; abs – 0. Motion passes.

## **UFS Resolutions – Lisa Tessier (Resolutions Committee)**

advocate for strong support for SUNY in next budget cycle. Thanks gov for attention in the past budget and in state of state address.

Motion to endorse Michele F. and seconded Terry H.

Discussion:

Simon P. – Most all feedback positive, one concern about political nature of it by mentioning governor.

Vote taken – yes – 26; no – 0; abstention – 3. Motion passes.

## **Lisa Tessier (Resolutions Committee)**

### **New business Plenary resolution Perkins Loan**

Lisa T.- Perkins Loans are administered in two ways. Some Federally and the collection was suspended due to pandemic, but some Perkins Loans are administered from SUNY Loan Center and collection of these loans was not halted which could have been a hardship for students. Unless student opts out than it is prosed they make it retroactive. Also the names of both of these loans is too similar (federal vs state).

Alice K. – Please note this is not for voting, but to take back to you constituents for feedback.

Cheri R. – Dates?

Lisa – March 13, 2020 through Dec 31, 2022.

Michele F. – Further extension goes to June 30, 2023 due to public service loan forgiveness and others. Will this need to be amended now that these extensions are in effect?

Lisa T. – This is what we voted on and I will see if this change is going to take place as proposed. If this becomes a local proposal, we will need to change it.

Erin W. – Interest and fees returned, but also payment itself? What is being returned?

Lisa T. – Suspended repayment of state Perkins Loans as well as fees based on what's written, but unclear. Calling on Chancellor for consideration in working with student loan center.

Lori C. – Extension just happened last week in Federal stuff. Came out after this got put forth. But this would mean they would still owe the money because it's not being forgiven.

Lisa T. – I will seek further clarification

Jennifer C. – If following Federal model will be returning fees, interest and any payments made during the pandemic, but isn't clearing it from the loan.

Alice K. -- Any more discussion? Please take back to your areas for reflection.

**Commemoration (Lisa T.)** – Asking for recognition for Karen Markoe. Retiring and customary practice to recognize people who have devoted themselves to shared governance.

Questions? Please take back to constituents. Vote to take place at next meeting.

**Resolution proposal: Diaper-changing stations – Peter Brusoe.**

More diaper changing stations than there currently are. Trend that is happening in more places. Baby changing stations are traditionally in women's bathrooms, but they should also be in the men's room. Would like them to be added to every bathroom on campus. But especially Farrell and any other public spaces (Stanford and Athletic facilities). Sends message of equality and support of families.

Motion to write resolution – Simon P. and seconded by Doug H.

Discussion –

Robb M. – Clark Field House should be added to this list as this happens a lot where fathers need a place to change babies up there.

Erin W. – Great idea! Request that when we think of how to compose it we attempt to limit as much gendered language as possible.

Simon P. – Strong support! 100%!

Lori C. – Speak strongly in favor. Language will be important.

Kristy F. – Can't say if there are changing stations in women's rooms in any of those named places.

Vote taken: yes – 24; no – 0; abstentions – 3. Motion passes and will go to Resolutions Committee.

**UFS Fall Plenary Report – Lisa Tessier (UFS Senator)**

At SUNY Purchase Oct 20-22. Thursday brought questions to Chancellor. On Friday full group met and gave reports. Bank on Fall 2023 date for Gen Ed. alignment. Prior learning assessment update policy. Steering committee for seamless transfer. Vice President spoke and talked about presidential election for UFS in Spring. Resolutions introduced what we have already discussed. Board of Trustees, Chancellor search progressing, gathering feedback from constituent groups to find qualities. Spoke of financial concerns: inflation and enrollment concerns, economic

downturns. Help with corporate relations, grant support, expansion and renovation, targeted marketing. Asked about childcare. Long waiting lists for childcare. Funding allocation and how distributed. Admin assistants, hard to find. Civil service examinations seemingly to be roadblock. Workload, burnout, flexible remote work. SUNY Provost and Vice Chancellor. DEI discussed. Micro credentials also discussed. Draft policy soon to be created. Student assembly president spoke about main goals for student assembly, food security, mental health, title IX. FCC and CUNY reports also discussed. UUP president also spoke. Workshops regarding work life balance and teaching during the pandemic.

Alice K. – Thank you Lisa! Great job compiling all that information.

Questions:

Lauralea E. – Timeline on prior learning policy?

Lisa T. – I don't have timeline. Just that it is being developed with UFS with FCC feedback.

Cheri R. – More info on rationale behind report that SUNY will only have local GE approvals?

Lisa T. – can only speculate. If we approve certain courses that goes to SUNY. But it might take a long time to hear that things are approved.

Erin W. – GE part of LAS so even when we send it to SUNY it took a long time

Simon P – Concerns about state of state address.

Lisa T – Talked about enhanced tech sector and that it would be involved but hard to know if there is any guarantee about what happens. Was not brought up during this Plenary.

Alice K. – felt the tone was positive at the meeting. Knowledge that there is going to be tough times ahead, but there was spirit of collaboration, not competitive.

### **Academic Promotion Committee update – Doug Gulotty**

Three or four schools and library gave input. Policy for academic promotion. Continuation of PDMC. Divided in responses. Some feel it is an essential tool for their school while others have indicated that it is extra work. Seems like the best way is to have it be voluntary as it is perfectly split down the middle. Three-year process. Seems to be subject to determination. No great aversion to shorten it. Some felt promotions that could be shorter than three years could dilute the process. Role of Academic Promotion Committee: findings contrary to own beliefs. Wanted to get rid of paragraph that discusses role of committee to determine promotion to go above and beyond the job they are seeking. Seems unclear. Ranking systems can be problematic. School Standing Committees should receive tremendous support and would like there to be some more transparency at least in the process (process is clear, but standards are set by each committee). (Above and beyond the requirements of their position).

Alice K. – Please reach out to committee reps for feedback.

Erin W. – feedback needed for sure. Would like to point out that what I am hearing is confusion about current plan and that it is not supposed to be a ranking.

Max D. – Doug G. might have a point that this needs to be a larger decision with us before a resolution comes forward. Maybe Senators should be helping to get that information.,

Alice K. -- Committees work by getting feedback from constituents. If senators did this, it would dilute the work of the committees.

### **Budget & Planning Committee update – Doug Holub**

Timing for next fireside chat. At this time the committee's role is best described as liaison between administration and campus. Important role to help constituents understand terminology etc. Anticipated role in next budget process. Not sure what that will involve. Budget Planning Committee will meet in about a week or so after the fireside chat.

Alice K. -- Been to meetings and it feels collaborative.

Doug H. – Yes there is a good feeling. Situation where people are trying to share all the info they can at the time they have it and trying to work together. Bylaws indicate two people from committee that are allowed to participate in RATF, and that language has to be changed at this time.

Questions?

Lisa T. -- Is it your sense that reformulation will involve more vetting of things beyond OTPs? Are you at liberty to say?

Doug H. -- Greater scrutiny on requests for hires and purchases for sure. Regarding role of budget planning committee in budget process. Yes there will be greater role than just looking at OTPS (Other than personal services) (supplies and things that are miniscule as far as percentage of budget).

### **Announcements**

**Adjourn 6:13p**