



SUNY Delhi College Senate Minutes: October 17, 2022 Meeting

Present: Laurie Jones, Alice Krause, Lars Sweidenback, Lindsay Walker, Lauralea Edwards, John Padovani, Shannon Shoemaker, Mark Sullivan, Terry Hamblin, Kristy Fitch, Max Dehne, Erin Wagner, Cheri Rossi, Beth Boyd, Jason Cash, Dave Wakin, Shelly Jones, Misty Fields, Michael Tweed, Lisa Tessier, Simon Purdy, Nazely Kurkjian, Doug Holub, Brigid Finn-Macguire, Louis Reyes Jr., Joyce Shim, Robb Munro, Thomas Jordan, Dave Brower, Brett Meckel, Leonel Diaz, Doug Gulotty, Lori Ciarfardoni, Mary Wake, Liz Frisbee, Chelsea Mathieu

Erin Wagner proxy for Jenny Collins, Lindsay Walker proxy for Michele Frazier, Jason Cash proxy for Dan Gashler, Leonel Diaz proxy for Leslie Barger and Kaleigh Herman and Cheri Rossi (partial) proxy for Lori Ciarfardoni

Meeting called at 4:33 pm

Review of September 26, 2022 meeting minutes.

Shelly Jones made motion to approve, which was seconded by Jason Cash.

Doug Holub advised either the use of official titles for everyone in Senate, or no titles for anyone.

Vote taken: yes – 19; no – 0; abstain – 2. Minutes approved.

E-Board Updates:

Please continue to share and collect feedback on the Micro-credentialling policy.

Robert's Rules training is now on Vancko Hall. Please complete this training by October 31, 2022. This training, as well as the shared governance training, can be found in the College Senate Vancko Hall page, in the "resources" tab.

Share and collect feedback on UFS resolutions.

Feedback has been received from administration on twelve resolutions. These will be posted in the "resolutions" folder in Vancko Hall. The Faculty Senate Plenary Meeting is happening this week from Thursday through Saturday at SUNY Purchase. Lisa Tessier is still collecting

questions to be directed to the Chancellor. If anyone has any questions or topics of concern, email Lisa Tessier.

Cheri Rossi and Alice Kraus attended the Leadership Meeting. Please email them if you would like updates or have questions or topics of interest you would like to share.

The Fireside Chat this month will be focusing on our budget, with a main focus on personnel costs. The meeting will take place on October 25, 2022 from 11:00 am to 12:00 pm.

The Next Senate Meeting will occur on Halloween and it is the hope that it will end early (hopefully by 5:00p). There will be a short agenda and it was proposed that the meeting begin at 4:00 pm. Nineteen members of Senate voted in favor of this. October 31, 2022 meeting will start at 4:00 pm.

Old Business:

Micro-credentialling Policy – Lauralea Edwards

Motion to endorse made by Cheri R. and seconded by Terry H..

Erin W., on behalf of her proxy, asked what the qualifications would be for instructors and where would the money come from to pay these instructors.

L. Edwards answered the requirements/qualifications for faculty are the same as it will be in the standard curriculum, which is implied in the language. Funding will come when additional sections are offered to strictly non-matriculated students or if a course is taken outside of school grounds. In that case, additional revenue will be generated for payment. This is separate from actual service and a different contract is required.

Alice K. added everyone will have 3 minutes to speak and will be kept on track by the parliamentarian

Shannon S. asked who will head this project and are there any meetings that curious faculty and staff can attend for additional info?

Lauralea E. answered the Professional studies office will start out as the head and then a committee is to be formed to determine which procedures are to be used and what jobs/roles get delegated to which individuals. Opportunities to learn more about how this is working will come when the procedures are worked out. Lauralea E. or Misty F. can be reached if anyone wants to start this up sooner rather than later.

Lisa T. asked regarding minors: can micro-credentials count towards minors? At what point can we link these two? Worry there is a looming problem regarding concern for minors and how much time it will take to complete a degree.

Also, will the committee that creates process and procedures be part of Curriculum Committee?

Lauralea E. said thanks for bringing up the minors! There are unique distinctions between the two: micro-credentials are easier to work with up front, target a different population (non-matriculated, non-traditional) vs. minors (matriculated, aimed at earning a degree). There is a relationship that can be regarded as complimentary which should be looked at once this is established in the future.

Simon P. commented that it is important to emphasize this is still an educational institution of higher learning and a bridge into potential degrees. There are lots of ways to blend this into some unique programming.

Robb M. added that micro-credentialling, as far as leading into our main programs, may have to be examined by the NCAA to make sure everyone is on the same page as far as student athletes.

Lauralea E. answered that it is important to be sensitive to this issue and important to point out that non-matriculated students are not eligible to be athletes.

Kristy F. said that perhaps minimum credits offered should be standardized to get rid of any grey areas that can arise.

Lauralea E. said that a recommendation about what the minimum should be, would be a helpful suggestion to work with!

Lars S. said that the minimum is 12 credits for a minor. Many of these are going to have to go through curriculum. Please loop us in for evaluation in the future.

Lauralea E. answered that urgency to move forward has resulted in not following the same process as usual. Curriculum will be involved with the procedure side heavily. Policy is remaining the same to save time.

Brigid F. said her constituents are supportive. Practicum courses could potentially fit in well. Practically speaking, what kind of time frame is a good one to loosely work with?

Lauralea E. answered that it depends on what happens here and at Academic Council. Could be up to a year or longer.

Vote taken: yes – 27; no – 0; abstain – 0. Vote passes.

UFS Resolutions – Lisa Tessier (Resolutions Committee)

These resolutions are not to be amended because they were written by faculty plenary senate. They are not our resolutions to amend.

SUNY UFS has attempted to study administrative costs across campuses. It has been hard to complete as different practices are in place. This resolution calls for support from SUNY Proper and the Chancellor to assist with the study of this matter.

Motion to endorse was made by Shelly J. and seconded by Cheri R.

Vote taken: yes – 23; no – 1; abstain – 4. Vote passes.

Next resolution – guide to presentational searches is to be reviewed and updated.

Motion to endorse was made by Lindsay W. and seconded by Erin W.

Vote taken: yes – 23; no – 1; abstain – 4. Vote passes.

New Business

UFS Resolutions – Lisa Tessier (Resolutions Committee)

In recognition of student health and in recognizing the need for financial support from the Chancellor, the creation of a Chief Health Officer to promote health and wellness on campus has been proposed.

Leonel D. asked how is this role different from the Health Director?

Lisa T. answered that students can access the Health Director, but faculty and staff cannot access them. Additional focus would be preventative health, with a broader ask in support for faculty and staff.

Recognition of Vice Chancellor of Academic Affairs and Vice Provost Elizabeth Bringsjord in her retirement.

Please bring these back to your constituents for feedback!

Local Resolution Proposal – Lisa Tessier (Resolutions Committee) –

Lisa T. – Delhi Senate Page has proposal form so anyone on campus can ask for a resolution to be created. This form requests some information and once completed goes to the Resolution Committee. It is then brought to the Senate for review. Is this a good procedural fit for our school?

Also, this particular proposal regards a concern about lack of access to feminine hygiene products on campus. There is a call for increased availability of these products. Products are available in Foreman Hall, at Regalia, and in Farrell, but sometimes this is not always available. It appears that other campuses have other products more readily available, especially in academic buildings and residence halls.

Motion by vote was made by Simon P. and seconded Terry H.

Leonel D. asked to please consider the financial impact this will have as his department will be the one that will have to pay for it. Mosaic cannot always supply these products.

Lisa T. said thank you for the work the students have done through Mosaic for this. It is deeply appreciated. This will be taken into consideration.

Alice K. added that it could be a good fit to partner up with Student Senate on this project.

Vote taken: yes – 27; no – 0; abstain – 0. Motion passes to take this up as Resolution Committee business.

Bylaws Proposal – Lindsay Walker (Bylaws Committee)

Motion for proposal to make change of bylaws to be brought back for a vote on the 31st.

Bylaws are meant to streamline the process when elections take place, set rules about vacated seats, and make information easier to digest regarding at-large seats and election processes.

Curriculum Proposals – Lars Schweidenback (Curriculum Committee)

Lars S. – Applied Tech. has removed some restrictions and added to another.

Motion to approve was made by Lisa T. and seconded by Doug H.

Vote taken: yes – 25; no – 0; abstain – 3. Motion passes

CC 22-3 and 22-4: All GE's that are GE1 will be GE Math, all GE2's will be GE NSCI and will also fulfill the critical thinking competency.

Motion to approve made by Shelly J. and seconded by Jason C.

Vote taken: yes – 25; no – 0; abstain – 3. Motion passes.

CC 22-5 to 22-16 : BUSI 120 changes to communication course. Business courses updated to align with the new GE system.

Motion to approve made by Lindsay W. and seconded by Shannon S.

Vote taken: yes – 28; no – 0; abstain – 3. Motion passes.

Announcements Vet Sci Psycho House and Library Con!

Adjourn – 5:42 pm.