

## University Senate October 16<sup>th</sup> 2017

#### **Campus Governance Leaders & Council and Committee Chairs**

- Please sign in
- Pick up your assigned iClicker
- Take a seat in the front

#### Senators:

- Please sign in
- Pick up your assigned iClicker
- Take a seat in the chairs angled toward the center

#### **Guests:**

• Please sign in



## Agenda

- Approval of Minutes of Sept 25, 2017
- Provost's Report James Stellar
- Senate Chair's Report Karin Reinhold

#### Other Reports:

- SUNY Senators' Report
- Graduate Student Association Report
- Undergraduate Student Association Report
- Council/Committee Reports

#### New Business:

- Gwen Kay, SUNY Senate President
- Gina Volynsky, Director of the SUNY's Center for International Development
- Approval of changes in Council membership

#### Announcements

- Bylaws amendment 1718BA01 & 1718BA02
- Vacancies in Councils and subcommittees



# Approval of minutes September 25, 2017



#### Provost's Report – James Stellar



#### **II.** Actions taken

MS & Samp; PhD in Electrical and Computer Science Engineering was sent to UAC & UPPC for Approval.

#### **III. Recommendations for actions**

- Bylaws amendments 1718BA01 & 1718BA02 vote starting date is planned around Nov 6 th .
- Videotaping of President and/or Provost report on Senate meetings and upload them to the Senate webpage.



- IV. Announcements
- Vacancies in Councils and subcommittees:
  - COR is looking for faculty for its subcommittees:
    - Committee on Center, Institutes and Specialized Research
    - Laboratories
    - Researchers' Liaison Committee
    - Ad Hoc Committees
  - UPPC has vacancies in
    - Resource Analysis and Planning Committee
    - University Facilities Committee
  - UAC has two vacancies in each of its committees



#### IV. Announcements

- SAVE THE DATE: Fall Faculty Meeting NOV 1st, 1:00-3:00pm
- Information about relief efforts for hurricanes Maria, Irma and Harvey and Mexico Earthquakes <u>http://www.albany.edu/relief/</u>
- Congratulations to Joachim Frank, one of three scientists who were awarded the 2017 Nobel Prize in chemistry for developing cryo-electron microscopy, which simplifies and improves the imaging of biomolecules, allowing the image generation of everything from proteins that cause antibiotic resistance, to the surface of the Zika virus. "This method has moved biochemistry into a new era," the Royal Swedish Academy of Sciences. Joachim is a SUNY distinguished professor on the faculty of <u>Biomedical Sciences</u> from 1985 – 2008.



#### IV. Announcements

- 2017 SUNY Diversity Conference: Engaging Equity, Diversity and Inclusivity in the Classroom, Campus and Community, 29 Nov - 1 Dec.
- SUNY Undergraduate Research Symposium 2018: Friday, April 20 at Oneonta, and Saturday, April 21 at Monroe County Community College. UFS supports this opportunity for students across the SUNY system to come together and display, talk about, demonstrate and/or perform their research and scholarly activity.



#### V. Three Things for all Senators

- IMPORTANT: In your next departmental faculty meeting, be an advocate in support of the Amendment to the Bylaws 1617BA01 Right of contingent faculty to vote for their own representative.
- Send me questions for the SUNY Chancellor to be asked at the SUNY Plenary this weekend, Delhi Oct 19-21.
- Questions for President Rodriguez for the Fall Faculty meeting Nov 1st.



## OFS (University Faculty Senator's Report) - Diane Hamilton, Walter Little, and Latonia Spencer

The SUNY University Faculty Senate will convene it's 177th Fall Plenary Meeting at SUNY Delhi from October 19-21, 2017.



### Report Dawn Wharram, GSA Lead

Nothing to report



## Student Association Report Jerlisa Fontaine, President

**SA Senators** 

#### ULC & CAA Brandon Holdridge Morgan Eldrige COR & UAC Logan Losito UAC & CAA Mitchell Rybak UPPC & UAC Amanda Demma GAC & UPPC **ULC & GOV** Moises Urena Dillon Asmus LISC ChiChi Igboekwe ULC & UAC



#### CAA Istvan Kecskes, Chair, Mary Ellen Mallia Co-Chair

Nothing to report.



#### **CAFFECoR –** Carol Jewell, Chair

Nothing to Report



#### **CERS - Michael Jerison, Chair**

- Michael Jerison is stepping down as chair,
- David Wagner nominated Chair



#### **COR - Robert Rosenswig, Chair**

- Subcommittees: each CoR member sits on two separate subcommittee and each subcommittee has a significant work load. Therefore, we plan to request that the number of CoR members be increase in the future and in particular that more teaching/research faculty be assigned to us. A formal request and proposal for an amendment to the Charter will follow.
- New Institute: Reviewed the updated proposal submitted by Dr. Theresa Pardo, the Director of the Center for Technology in Government (CTG) and approved the proposal which requests the formation of a new research institute which will not only consist of the Center for Technology and Government, but will also have the ability to add additional centers.



#### **COR - Robert Rosenswig, Chair**

- Full Center Status for the Center for Global Health (CGH). The Center for Global Health is looking for official status for financial sustainability reasons and the Dean of the School of Public Health supports the approval of CGH's status as a center. CoR has requested more information and expects to vote at our next meeting on Oct. 23, 2017.
- Following a request from the College of Arts and Science (CAS) for the VPR's office to share the criteria and method of reviewing FRAP-A applications, CoR members discussed the need for us to make the formal, numeric method of evaluation available to FRAP A applicants. CoR also intends to formalize the use of Dean's evaluations and rankings in the decision process. Our plan is to make all of these formal



#### **CPCA - Louise Anne McNUtt, Chair**

Nothing to report



#### **GAC - Sean Rafferty, Chair**

Nothing to report



#### **GOV** -Jim Mower, Chair

- GOV met for its initial 2017-18 meeting on September 6. The chair (Mower) explained the functions and duties of GOV and its interactions with the Senate. He discussed known agenda items for the upcoming year including old business (reconsideration of Faculty Bylaws Amendments BA 1617:01 and BA 1617:02).
- Actions taken: GOV voted to:
  - Appoint Julie Cuccio Slichko to the Campus Recreation Advisory Board and
  - Appoint Karen Chico-Hurst to fill the UAS board member term vacated by Gary Kleppel on his retirement. Approved changes to



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- Anticipating GOV's approval of the Faculty Bylaws amendments BA 1617:01 and BA 1617:02: explored extending the voting period & voting with BallotBin.
- GOV will eventually take on new legislation to, in the words of Senate Resolution 1718-01R, "explore amending the Faculty Bylaws to grant voting faculty status to part-time faculty and staff. " A positive vote will have implications for achieving quorum in future votes; GOV will likely take a role in defining how part-time faculty will be counted in quorum decisions.
- GOV passed 1617BA01 and 1617BA02 (voting rights for part time faculty to elect their own representative and clarification of voting senators) with edits and forwarded both to SEC for consideration.



### LISC -Billie Franchini, Chair

The Council on Libraries, Information Systems, and Computing (LISC) will meet on October 12, 2017, and tour the new Educational Technology Center.



## **UAC** -Christy Smith, Chair

- Associate Dean for General Education Richard Fogarty reported on the current status of General Education Competency Plans. To date there are 42 approved programs; 11 more are undergoing revision, and 6 more are not yet submitted.
- The General Education Advisory Board was provided for in the General Education Program legislation effective Fall 2013. The Board will become more active as work progresses on assessment of the General Education Program in anticipation of the Middle States Accreditation Process. Institutional Research and the Counsel on Academic Assessment will spearhead assessment of General Education.
- Celine LaValley (Undergraduate Education) summarized the procedures for new program proposals that go outside of SUNY Albany for review, and these that may come to UAC for review in 2017/2010.



## **ULC - Ekow King, Chair**

#### ULC is considering an amendment to its charter which includes increasing student participation in the council.



## **UPPC** -Jim Collins, Chair

#### II. Actions Taken

A. The Council voted to approve the Center for International Education and Global Strategy proposal for a Global Distinction Milestone, with stipulations pending.

B. The Council voted to approve the proposed University Calendars for 2018-19.



## New Business: A. Gwen Kay, SUNY Senate President

- Implementation of SUNY Trustees' Resolution 2016-65, Cross Registration Policy, adopted on November 3, 2016. <u>http://system.suny.edu/academic-affairs/student-mobility/cross-registration/</u>
- Three things for October:
  - It's not too early to think about the <u>SUNY Shared Governance Award</u>. Applications are due November 21.
  - 2. We're looking for a SUNY Provost. For more information, see <u>http://www.suny.edu/provost-search/</u>.
  - 3. Did you know that SUNY Delhi is one of five college in the northeast where students graduate with the least amount of debt?



## New Business: B. Gina Volynsky, Director of the

## Development



## C. Approval of changes in council membership

## UAC: Lisa Baranik, Management, School of Business

COR:

- Jesse Ernst, Physics, CAS ,
- Lynn Warner, School of Social Welfare



#### Announcements:

## Bylaws amendments



UNIVERSITY SENATE 1718-BA01 UNIVERSITY AT ALBANY STATE UNIVERSITY OF NEW YORK Introduced by: Governance Council Date: February 14th, 2017

#### **FACULTY BYLAWS AMENDMENT for PART TIME REPRESENTATION**

IT IS HEREBY PROPOSED THAT THE FOLLOWING BE ADOPTED:

□ That the proposed amendment of the Faculty Bylaws below be adopted

That these amendments go into effect immediately

#### **Current Faculty Bylaws: Article II Section 2: Composition of the Senate**

**2.2** There shall be eight Senators elected at large from the eligible Voting Faculty, of whom four shall be from among the Professional Faculty. In addition there shall be two Senators elected at-large from among the part-time Faculty.

#### Proposed Revision to the Faculty Bylaws:

#### **Article II Section 2: Composition of the Senate**

#### 2.2 At-Large Senators.

**2.2.1** There shall be eight senators elected at-large from the eligible Voting Faculty, of whom four shall be from among the Professional Faculty.

**2.2.2**. There shall be two senators elected at-large from among the part-time Faculty. These senators shall be nominated by the Faculty, and elected by the Voting Faculty and the part-time Faculty. Nominees for part-time senators are restricted to Faculty whose primary appointment at



UNIVERSITY SENATE 1718-BA02 UNIVERSITY AT ALBANY STATE UNIVERSITY OF NEW YORK Introduced by: Governance Council Date: March 8th, 2017

FACULTY BYLAWS AMENDMENT DEFINING QUORUM FOR SENATE MEETINGS

IT IS HEREBY PROPOSED THAT THE FOLLOWING BE ADOPTED: That the proposed amendment of the Faculty Bylaws below be adopted That these amendments go into effect immediately

#### **Current Faculty Bylaws:**

#### Article II. Section 7 - Calendar and Meetings of the Senate

**7.6** The quorum of the Senate shall be 50 percent of its membership plus one. In all other matters of procedure, Robert's Rules of Order shall be followed, except where the Senate has established a rule of its own.

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#### Adjournment

# Are there any other new business?