

## Faculty Senate Minutes #4

October 25<sup>th</sup>, 2022

### Hall of Fame Room

**Members and Senators Present:** S. Anderson, P. Arras, C. Badurek, G. Birren, E. Bitterbaum, A. Bowler, S. Clark, E. Cranston, C. Costell Corbin, S. Daman, A. Dearie, A. DeChellis, S. Dutkowsky, E. Edlund, R. Grantham, A. Myles, T. Pittman, P. Perkins, V. Placide, M. Prus, K. Silvestri, G. Sharer, A. Thompson, C. Widdall, B. Williams, M. Yacavone, J. Zhe-Heimerman

**Members and Senators Absent:** L. Jin, L. Lopez-Janove, R. Powell, J. Radloff, P. Schroeder, K. Sheets, M. Stone, T. Suzuki, D. West, M. Wetter, S. Yoo

**Guests:** J. McNamara

**I. Approval of Minutes:** The Minutes from October 4<sup>th</sup> were approved by the Senate.

**II. Chair's Report:** G. Birren – Reported that she attended the UFS Plenary this past week and the FCCC Plenary the week before.

**III. Vice Chair/Secretary's Report:** B. Williams – No report.

**IV. Treasurer's Report:** C. Widdall – Reported on the treasurers account, explaining that there hasn't been any activity on the account for the past 3 years; there is a current balance of \$1,482.31. Since the account doesn't ever incur any activity (the senate can't accept "dues," and there haven't been any recent donations to the account), C. Widdall proposed the following motion:

- The balance in the treasurers account be given to the Faculty Senate Memorial Scholarship Fund, and that the account be closed out
  - Any objections to voting on the motion now, rather than waiting 2 weeks to come back and vote at the next senate meeting: No objection
- C. Widdall: Motion to transfer account funds to FS Memorial Scholarship and close the account 2<sup>nd</sup>: C. Costell Corbin
  - Vote: all aye; motion passed by the Senate

**V. President's Report:** E. Bitterbaum:

- Waiting on the new SUNY Chancellor
- More collaboration with industry
- State funding to increase the number of STEM students throughout SUNY
- SUNY is seeing an increase in number of online classes since the pandemic, which in turn has drastically decreased enrollment over the past 2 years (loss of 1.3 million students)
- Cortaca Jug game at Yankee Stadium will be broadcast on the Yes Channel
- Provost search continues; there have been around 100 candidates. Hopefully, sometime after Cortaca, will be able to put out an offer for hire.

### **VII. Policy Committee Reports**

**Joint Committee on Student Interests:** K. Silvestri – No report.

**Academic Faculty Affairs Committee:** K. Sheets, Chair – No report.

**Educational Policy Committee:** E. Edlund, Chair – Reported that a vetting document just went out to campus this morning regarding residency requirements for concentrations; if approved, the policy will go into effective starting Fall 2023

**Professional Faculty Affairs Committee:** S. Daman, Chair – No report

**Area Senators** – No report

**SUNY Senator/ Alternate Senator:** C. Badurek, C. Costell Corbin/A. Blavos – C. Costell Corbin and C. Badurek – Reported on the Fall 2022 Plenary that took place this past weekend at SUNY Purchase:

- Campus deficits – staffing crisis, particularly in the areas of healthcare/health management
- Remote work policies
- Civil service exams
- GE framework
- Credit for prior learning
- Micro-credentialing
- Student mobility
- 4 new SUNY presidents are being hired
- There were 3 resolutions passed at the plenary which will be brought to the senate for endorsement within the next few weeks

**Student Senator:** A. Bowler:

- Reported that the SGA held their Fall Festival this past Sunday; it was a success and hopefully can make it an annual event
- Themes for advocacy this week: Financial Aid

### **VIII. Other Standing Committee Reports:**

**Committee on Teaching Effectiveness:** M. Moyer, Chair – No report.

**College Curriculum Review Committee:** Chair – No report.

**College Research Committee:** Chair – No report.

**General Education Committee:** J. McNamara, Chair – Reported on the GE Framework; SUNY required the new framework be in place by Fall 2023. Committee is in the midst of reviewing SLOs. Feedback is due by noon this Friday (10/28/22). The Committee will submit SLOs to Steering Committee on 11/1/22 to bring to the Senate on 11/8/22 for endorsement.

**Graduate Faculty Executive Committee:** Chair – C. Badurek – Committee is revising its structure in an effort to reduce vacancies within the committee.

### **IX. Unfinished Business:**

- **Call for Nominations, Spring 2022** – Additional nominations were accepted from the floor in an effort to fill any remaining vacancies from the Spring 2022 call for nominations (*Please find document attached*).
  - Nominees approved by the Senate this afternoon will receive confirmation letters by the end of the week.

**X. New Business:** N/A

**XI. Announcements: N/A**

**Meeting was adjourned at 2:02PM on 10/25/22**

Minutes submitted by: Amy M. DeChellis