

I. Approval of Tentative Agenda

At 3:35 PM the University Senate President, Brent Lindquist, called the meeting to order. The agenda for the meeting was approved.

II. Approval of minutes from October 10, 2005

Minutes were approved with the following corrections:

- (1) Senators' request from President Kenny for status of the Senate resolution to adopt master campus environmental plan;
- (2) The suggested brochure to list campus procedures for individuals to seek assurances and safeguards specific to harassment of any sort be requested to be designed by the President's office

III. Senate President's Report (B. Lindquist)

The Executive Committee is currently drafting a motion to ensure inclusion of faculty in decisions on new appointments and re-appointments of faculty, whether on tenure or non-tenure track lines. Brent has been discussing the proposed procedures with the Provost office and the Deans. This motion is expected to be resented to the Senate at the February meeting.

IV. Provost's report (R. McGrath)

See attached report – especially with regard to Faculty Awards. Also note the new website for Undergraduate Colleges: <http://www.stonybrook.edu/sb/colleges/index.shtml>. There will be a variety of 102 seminars offered for credit starting in Spring 2006.

A retreat for Chairs focused on "How we manage ourselves" last Friday. The budget keys heavily into tuition revenue and the initiative to increase out of state students to 30% over 5 years is being carefully monitored. This first year's target for incoming out of state freshmen was 184 and the actual was 199; next year's target is 245. Consideration in analyzing the data must include scholarship v. full tuition and increasing the number of out of state exchange students. SBU continues to build market recognition. Out of state specialists are recruiting constantly with some experimentation with mid-west small towns that have a large proportion of residents with advanced degrees.

Evidence of results: 2005 Fall Open House = 6,000 visitors in 2 days.

Georges Fouron: Retention efforts?

Provost: Undergraduate Colleges are making a good start; assuring seat availability; following/anticipating shifting interests in course selection; promoting earlier declaration of majors; offering the Winter Session courses (35 total)

Norm Goodman: How many buildings will be used for the Winter Session courses?

Provost: Courses are being consolidated for ease of access for all especially in snow. AV Equipment needs will be addressed. Faculty who teach in these courses will be compensated as "extra service" similar to Summer Sessions.

Malcolm Bowman: Please record that MSRC faculty Dr. Robert Aller received an honorary degree from Universite de la Mediterranee, Marseilles, France

(See <<http://www.mediterranee.univ-aix.fr/>>)

President's Report (S. Kenny)

Dr. Kenny's report is attached. Questions?

Courses to be offered at Southampton campus would focus on ecological sustainability with strong arts program (Pollack/Krasner house is already in East Hampton. Some Freshman English and Math courses may be offered there but most courses will be for upper division.

Negotiations are continuing with a goal to start offering courses Fall 2006 if not earlier

Alan Tucker: How many students for Fall 2006?

President: 600 would be an ambitious goal

Alan Tucker: Will students have a choice of location (SB or Southampton)?

President: Probably

Ram P. Srivastav: Faculty recruiting? Projections for tenure track positions?

President: We do have 13 more tenure track faculty this year (see attached report). SUNY is developing a more realistic budget to increase faculty.

Joan Kuchner: Where is career track for 'off track' faculty?

Provost: We need more resources: Out of state recruitment; better budget, winter sessions.

President: Next year's budget will include more supplemental sources of revenue

Joan Kuchner: We can take steps to benefit off-track faculty: security, personal professional development, etc. The benefits include retention and increased morale.

V. Resolution on support of faculty at NYS College of Ceramics (N.Goodman)

History of the relationship between the private Alfred University and the NYS College of Ceramics includes what appears to be an absorption of the NYS College into the private institutions budget, marketing, etc. The head of the college was under the Provost of Alfred University. The resolution has been passed unanimously by 15 – 20 SUNY campuses so far as well as by the Faculty Senate.

The attached Resolution passed unanimously to be submitted to the SUNY-wide Faculty Senate.

VI. Report on Student Affairs (P. Baigent)

See attached report

Student Affairs planning develops collaboratively with other units across Campus including the Provost, Undergraduate College, Orientation/Enrollment Management and CAS.

Currently there is an initiative to convert certain sections of Residence Halls to include faculty offices on site.

Jerry Stein as Dean of Student Affairs is focused on the improvement of facilities and programs such as the recreation program which is a 'real success story' with intramurals and the wellness center.

Dallas Bauman is engaged in long range planning to increase beds in residence halls without a huge expense.

Norm Goodman: What are we doing for Commuters

Jerry Stein: Undergraduate Colleges, Full Time advisor, Increased communications

President: There are 3 finalists under consideration for position as VP for Student Affairs. A decision will be made as soon as possible

VII. Motion to change Senate By-laws regarding membership of the Campus Environment Committee (B. Lindquist)

As the Campus Environment Committee has greatly expanded its charge in recent years; and

As the number of current and planned projects on the main campus and at other locations are increasing significantly; and

As this Committee meets monthly and consults with the Administration frequently on matters within its jurisdiction

The Senate is asked to pass a resolution to modify the University Senate By-Laws to increase the membership of the Campus Environment Committee as follows:

V. Committee Membership

2. Membership of the following committees shall be described below:

j. The Campus Environment Committee shall consist of:

- ~~one~~ two faculty members from each of the electoral divisions of Arts and Sciences
- ~~one~~ two faculty members from Engineering and Applied Sciences
- two faculty members from Health Sciences
- one library faculty member
- one professional employee each from West Campus and East Campus
- two undergraduate students;
- one graduate student;
- the Director of Environmental Health & Safety (*ex officio*, non-voting).

Motion Passed unanimously.

Brent Lindquist: Point of information: membership will be increased through the elections scheduled for the Spring semester. If additional interim members are required prior to Fall 2006 the committee may make the recommendation to the Executive Committee for temporary appointments

The Senate adjourned at 4:49 PM.

Respectfully submitted by:

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Secretary