

The University Senate meets on Monday, March 5th at 3:30 p.m. in the Student Union Auditorium.

Tentative Agenda  
University Senate Meeting  
March 5, 2001

- I. Approval of Tentative Agenda
- II. Approval of the Minutes from University Senate meeting of February 5, 2001
- III. President's Report (S. Kenny)
- IV. Provost's Report (R. McGrath)
- V. VP for Administration (R. Mann)
- VI. VP for Economic Development (Y. Shamash)
- VII. University Senate President's Report (B. Godfrey)
- VIII. Report and Discussion on PACGE (N. Goodman)
- IX. Old Business
- X. New Business
- XI. Adjournment

Next University Senate Meeting: April 2, 2001 at 3:30 p.m.

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University Senate  
Draft Minutes, February 5, 2001

- I. Bill Godfrey, University Senate President, called the snowy afternoon meeting to order at 3:36 p.m. The tentative agenda was approved with minor adjustments (D. Kinney to go before the Provost report). The President & Provost's report can be found in the appendix.
- II. **The Senate minutes of December 4, 2000 were approved with the minor changes provided by Dean L. Martin.**
- III. **Report on the Faculty Senate meeting in New Paltz (D. Kinney)**

The Provost has not arrived yet, so Dan Kenny will report on a recent University Faculty Senate meeting that was held in New Paltz on 1/23/01.

Dan explains that the meeting was a joint one with campus governance leaders from round the State. he will review the highlights from the talks. A key theme from one of the sessions focused on how we can improve relations between the Faculty Senate and Campus Governance.

- Better communications – resolutions presented in today's agenda pack
- Coordinate efforts instead of pursuing parallel efforts
- One of the speakers was Brian Stentson, Vice Chancellor for Finance and Business, who reviewed the executive budget for next year and he thought it was an excellent budget that had included most of what SUNY had asked for...he noted that the Bd. of Trustees had requested \$40 million more, a sum that was not in the executive budget in the first round (money for more full time Faculty, Libraries and other Academic support). Brian felt that the Legislature would restore the \$40 mil requested by the Bd. of Trustees. The Faculty Senate passed a resolution supporting the Board of Trustees budget.

- A talk was presented on SUNY CONNECT – a project that would create a SUNY wide virtual Library. SUNY is playing catch up with other States (Ohio, Virginia & Georgia).

First phase involves the creation of a single library automated system. Stony Brook is one of six test sites and USB should be operational by July '01. In addition, there needs to be an increase in electronic resources –i.e., Science Direct is only available in Stony Brook. There needs to be an expansion throughout the entire system that will increase titles from 400 to 700 and pass along some monetary savings at the same time.

- The last item included a talk by Chancellor King who described his plan to raise \$5 billion for SUNY above State support over the next 5 years. He wants to raise this through new sponsored research and initiatives that link research findings and commercial ventures.
- Another 1 Billion to come through Campus Capital campaigns. 75% to come from the Campus Centers.

SUNY Buffalo – has launched a 250 million campaign

SUNY Binghamton – has raised 36 million and the Chancellor expects more

SUNY Albany – has consultants helping them put together a 150 million – 200 million campaign

SUNY Stony Brook – is expected to launch a 250 million to 300 million dollar campaign

Bill Godfrey comments: ... he agrees that there are mechanisms in place that should increase the communication between the Senate Presidents and the governance leaders. Albany is very busy now with new goals, new initiatives and the appointment of new Vice Chancellors, including a new VP for Philanthropy.

**IV. University Senate President's Report (B. Godfrey):** Our resolution that was passed in September 2000 urging the Administration not to cooperate with the GEN ED proposal coming from the Board of Trustees is being spread around the State. Hopefully, if enough campuses get behind the resolution, the Bd. of Trustees will finally get the message. Bill went on to say that Stony Brook has company re: the compliance issues that surround the Bd. of Trustees GEN ED initiative.

Norm Goodman was recognized by the Senate President and Norm briefed the Senators on what will be happening at the PACGE meeting in February... more details will be available for the March Senate meeting.

**V. Provost Report (R. McGrath):** While the President is away (UC Santa Barbara), Bob is acting President and he just had to decide to cancel evening classes (the snow situation is worsening). Bob mentions that a couple of weeks ago we hosted a Physics conference "Quark Matter 2001" for over 700 Physicist from all over. Everyone did a fantastic job and the conference could not have gone better. Special thanks to Conferences, Facilities Staff and the AV department.

Other points:

- Task forces are up and running and the Provost wants to have recommendations that he can work on as we strive together to improve the process. Bob is about to issue his report on women/faculty issues and the Provost promises to issue it "soon."
- As reported last month, the search committee for the Chair of the Asian/Asian-American Studies Department and the search committee for the Dean of the MBA in Technology Management are both up and running with interviews being scheduled.
- The Provost attended a CAPRA meeting entering into a discussion re: visionary things. The big problems and most challenging type questions that we have to face. We have had a number of successes but the question has to be asked, "what do we want to look like in 5 years."

- The Provost closed his remarks mentioning what he has learned about a new GEN ED issue on the horizon – *assessment*. Bob explained that the assessment role-out is being handled in a more professional manner (unlike the GEN ED role-out). Basically, the study group on assessment is that it is up to the campuses to do their assessment and in general broad terms show that the learning outcomes are what they are supposed to be. If SUNY would take that approach with the GEN Ed initiative, we would all be in better shape.

Question: Bob Kerber; presumably we need a search committee for the Dean of Arts and Sciences.

**Provost response:** He has not done anything yet but every time that Bob Liebermann sees him, he reminds him that he should get going on it.

## **VI. Report on Environmental Protection Agency regulations (M. Kotlas)**

Maureen Kotlas (Director EH&S), opened her remarks by mentioning that she has left a 4 page EPA issues report in the back of the room (see appendix section). She went on to provide a brief overview to a new EPA initiative that is being directed to all Mid-Atlantic (Region II) Colleges and Universities. Beginning in 12/99 the EPA sent a letter to all Region II University and College Presidents putting everyone on notice that a broad based EPA regulatory inspection program was on the way.

### **Key points**

- EPA is pushing hard the message that Environmental Compliance for Colleges and Universities is very important.
- A high rate of noncompliance has been identified at universities and colleges.
- Fines are published and part of the public record:
  - Yale – \$69K fine for mishandling and mislabeling hazardous chemicals.
  - Boston University – 253K in fines and agreed to a \$500,000 community project for Clean Water Act and hazardous waste violations.
  - University of New Hampshire received \$49,000 in fines and agreed to spend an additional \$147,000 for a Supplemental Environmental Project for hazardous waste violations.
  - University of Hawaii received a \$1.7 million fine for improperly stored and labeled chemicals.

Maureen mentioned that currently negotiations are underway between EPA and SUNY regarding the inspection format that will be followed. Many details still need to be worked out but the message is clear that USB will be inspected and that compliance with all EPA regulations will be key. Obviously, an Integrated Safety Management (ISM) program similar to what is in place at BNL will assist Stony Brook in reaching the goal of meeting all EPA regulations. In order to meet this new challenge the University will need the cooperation of the entire Stony Brook community.

Several questions were handled from the audience re: hazardous waste pick-ups, battery recycling and indoor air quality issues. Maureen mentioned that if anyone had any additional questions, they should not hesitate to call her at EH&S.

## **VII. Old Business ... none**

**VIII. New Business ...** Student Polity President, P. Jackson mentioned that several students are caught in a graduation jam, due to the loss of a Professor. The Provost said he just learned about the matter and that he would look into the matter and get back to Polity.

Another Student Polity Senator, Chris Balk, mentioned that this calendar does not carry any study days. Bill Godfrey directed the Senator to speak to the Student Life Committee (Ed Feldman).

Final plug by Bill: 2/13 is SB day.

Motion made to adjourn (4:19 P.M.)

Respectfully submitted,

Edward O'Connell  
Senate Secretary

**Appendix Section  
(President's and Provost's Report)**

February 5, 2001

MEMORANDUM

TO: University Senate

FROM: Shirley Strum Kenny, President

SUBJECT: Campus Report

I. Day Five Spring Enrollment

On the fifth day of classes, 18,509 students were registered for the Spring 2001 semester. This is an increase of 443 students since opening day and 728 more than were registered last spring at this time. Most of the additional students were West Campus undergraduates. Compared to last year, their registrations were up 412, while West Campus graduate registrations were up 389 and Health Sciences registrations were down 73.

II. Stony Brook Joins the America East Conference

Stony Brook has joined the America East Conference, and will begin participating in AEC athletic competition next season. The University, now in its second season as a member of NCAA Division I, will join Boston University, the University of Delaware, Drexel University, the University of Hartford, Hofstra University, the University of Maine, the University of New Hampshire, Northeastern University, Towson State University, and the University of Vermont.

III. Five Year Plan Update

The Five-Year Plan for 2000-2005 has been finalized. The Plan establishes an action agenda for the next five years that addresses the priorities and concerns of the campus community. Development of the Plan began with the work of seven task forces that engaged 150 faculty, staff, students, alumni and friends of the university in identifying specific actions that will further Stony Brook's ascent as a national leader among research universities. A Coordinating Committee synthesized their ideas and proposals into a draft that was widely distributed during Spring 2000 to ensure that all members of the campus community had an opportunity to contribute their perspectives. This final Plan incorporates their input, establishes an implementation timeline, and identifies the administrator or administrators responsible for accomplishing each goal. Annual reports will measure progress. The finalized Plan is available at <http://www.sunysb.edu/pres>

IV. Stony Brook Day

On February 13 all students, faculty and staff are invited to participate in Stony Brook day. Buses will transport all participants to Albany, where we will provide elected officials and their staff with good news about our University. The goal of the day is to let legislators know what is happening at the University,

and to encourage them to continue their support for public higher education. I hope that every sector of the University will be represented; a strong showing in Albany will demonstrate how important the University is to the citizens of New York State, while emphasizing the University community's personal commitment to its campus.

#### V. University Hospital Executive Director Named

Mr. Bruce Schroffel has been appointed as the Executive Director of the University Hospital. Mr. Schroffel formerly served as Senior Vice President and Chief Operating Officer at the San Francisco campus of the UCSF/Stanford Health Care System, where he was responsible for the operations of a major university hospital and a community teaching hospital. He led UCSF Medical Center through a complex merger with Stanford Hospital and Lucille Packard Children's Hospital and integrated the School of Medicine faculty practices into the clinical enterprise. Mr. Schroffel brings a wealth of experience in university hospital administration to his new position at Stony Brook.

#### VI. Appointment of Veterans Home Director

As of February 1, Fred S. Sganga has been appointed Executive Director of the Long Island State Veterans Home. Mr. Sganga joins Stony Brook after serving for 2 1/2 years as President and Chief Executive Officer of Bergen Regional Medical Center in Paramus New Jersey. Prior to joining Bergen Regional Medical Center, Mr. Sganga served as Vice President of Operations for Complete Management Inc. and Vice President for Mercy Medical Center. He was also previously affiliated with Booth Memorial Medical Center and Jamaica Hospital. Mr. Sganga has nearly 20 years of progressive experience as a senior healthcare executive, and has an extensive background in both hospital and long term care facility. He obtained his Masters Degree in Public Health from Columbia University and his Bachelors Degree in Community Health from CUNY –Hunter College. He is a faculty member in the Graduate Program for Health Care Administration at Hofstra University.

#### VII. AAC&U Honor

Stony Brook University is one of only sixteen colleges and universities nationwide to be recognized by the Association of American Colleges and Universities (AAC&U) as a "Leadership Institution" for its visionary campus-wide innovations in undergraduate education. At Stony Brook, such innovations have included major curriculum reforms in diverse fields such as the biological sciences and music, as well as the establishment of new courses such as bioengineering. Stony Brook has also created a New American Studies major in which undergraduates examine the experiences of different racial and ethnic groups across the Americas.

#### VIII. Presidential Lecture Series

The second of this year's events in the annual President's Lecture Series Celebrating Diversity will be held on February 14 in the Student Activities Center Auditorium. The lecture will be given by Mr. Martin Luther King, III, whose talk will be entitled "The Dream Deferred." Mr. King is the second oldest child of Martin Luther King, Jr. and Coretta Scott King. A human rights activist, Mr. King is the President of the Southern Christian Leadership Conference, the organization founded by his father to foster non-violent resolution of political and racial conflict.

### **Provost's Reports to the University Senate**

February 5, 2001

Robert McGrath, Provost

#### I. INFORMATION ON FACULTY ARTISTS, AUTHORS & EDITORS SOUGHT

Each year a request is made for information on books, journals and CDs published the previous year that were authored or edited, or feature performances by, Stony Brook faculty. This information is collected by the Office of Conferences and Special Events and used for the annual Stony Brook Artists, Authors & Editors publication and as a basis for creating the annual exhibit in the Melville Library.

If you have not yet received a copy of the submission form, you may obtain one from the Office of Conferences & Special Events (440 Administration Building, phone: 2-6320).

## II. PROVOST'S LECTURE SERIES EVENT TO CELEBRATE BLACK HISTORY MONTH

In honor of Black History Month, the Office of the Provost is co-sponsoring a program entitled "Homage to Black Revolutionaries" with Blue Ark: The Word Ship, featuring Amiri Baraka, Professor Emeritus of Africana Studies. This unique poetry and jazz program will be held in the SAC Auditorium on Monday, February 26th, at 8:00 p.m. (time not yet confirmed).

## III. STONY BROOK FACULTY CONTINUE EARNING HONORS, AWARDS AND RECOGNITION

The works of Professor Howardena Pindell were featured in a recent exhibit in Chicago. "Recent Works" was the title of the exhibition at the G.R. N'Namdi Gallery in Chicago that ran from November 10 through December 16.

Distinguished Professor Emeritus John Gagnon has been honored by the American Sociological Society by the creation of the Simon and Gagnon award, named for him and his long-time collaborator William Simon. This new award will be given to honor career contributions to the study of sexualities.

Professor Marvin Goldfried has been selected by the Board of Professional Affairs of the American Psychological Association as the recipient of the 2001 APA Award for Distinguished Contributions to Knowledge.

The American Meteorological Society has honored Professor Robert Cess by naming him the Remote Sensing Lecturer for 2001 for "pioneering contributions to the development and application of remote sensing for understanding the earth's radiation budget."

The Computer Science Department has two recent honors. Professor R.C. Sekar has received an award from the Department of Defense for the study of specification-based techniques in information assurance, as part of the Science and Engineering Augmentation Awards Program. Professor Klaus Mueller has received an NSF Career Award.

Neurobiology and Behavior also has reason to celebrate. Two of the ten 2000 New York State Spinal Cord Injury Research Board awards went to Stony Brook faculty: Dr. Viktor Arvanov and Professor Joseph Fetcho. In addition, Professor Gail Mandel was invited to attend the first State University of New York Recognition Dinner Honoring Research in Science and Medicine, which was held on January 21st.