The University Senate meets on Monday, September 9th at 3:30 p.m. in the Student Activities Center, Room 302.

Tentative Agenda
University Senate Meeting
September 9, 2002

I. Approval of tentative agenda
II. Approval of minutes from University Senate meeting on May 6, 2002 (see below)
III. University Senate President's Report (B. Walcott)
IV. President's Report (S. Kenny)
V. Provost's Report (R. McGrath)
VI. Old Business
VII. New Business

University Senate Meeting Schedule (all in SAC 302)

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University Senate Meeting
Recorded by David Hanson
May 6, 2002

Agenda was approved.
Minutes from April 1st were approved.

President’s Report
A written report also was submitted.
We don’t yet have a budget allocation from the State.
Humanities Building will go off-line this summer. There will be much moving, temporary classroom space
is being developed, e.g. in the Alliance Room, and things will be tight.
Plans for State-funded capital improvements and a fund-raising Capital Campaign are underway (250M
over 5 years).
Norm Goodman asked about the number of classrooms in the Humanities Building. No clear answer was
given. Perhaps the information can be provided to CAPRA at that committee’s next meeting.
Brent Lindquist pointed out that we needed funds to offer multiple-year fellowships to graduate students.

Provost’s Report
A written report was submitted.
Three Guggenheim winners across the faculty this year: Phil Allen, David Gilmore, Mikhail Lyubich. Gail
Mandel has been appointed SUNY Distinguished Professor. Robert Kerber has been appointed SUNY
Distinguished Teaching Professor.
Details supplementing last month’s report on student admissions were presented. The target for 2002 is
2400 freshmen and 1250 transfer students. The number of entering EOP/AIM students is being reduced by State
mandate from 150 to 100 in contrast to the initial State proposal that the number be 75 to accommodate a 12% budget cut in EOP/AIM funds.
This Thursday is the Third Annual Stony Brook Gala in NYC. This event has been key in our ability to
raise scholarships.
On May 5, the Center for Inclusive Education, located on the first floor of the Library, was officially
opened and dedicated. The Center is aimed at drawing large numbers of under-represented minorities into central
disciplines.
We are planning for a 5% budget reduction, which is being addressed by one-time savings and reducing faculty and staff hires. If funds are not restored, the one-time portion will have to be addressed by other means the following year.

University Faculty Senate Meeting

Arnold Wishnia reported on the University Faculty Senate Meeting held at Alfred, April 11-13, and submitted a written report on the meeting, and a draft report from the University Operations Committee: *Survey of the Campus Budget in SUNY: Statistical Information*. One issue discussed was the proposal of the Global Education Network, a private corporation, to develop an on-line American History survey course intended to satisfy the SUNY General Education requirement in American History. This proposal appears to be endorsed by Provost Salins and Chancellor King. Vigorous faculty comment regarding the right of the faculty and local campuses to determine curriculum produced some back-pedaling by the Provost and the Chancellor.

Norm Goodman read a letter to the Provost and Chancellor that he drafted. The letter describes the agreed procedure by which curriculum is determined. Norm also read a letter that was delivered to the SUNY Board of Trustees describing the process by which programs should be evaluated and discussed by members of the Board. Candidates for membership on important SUNY-wide Senate are needed.

Naval ROTC

Brent announced that a proposal for a Naval ROTC program will be considered by the appropriate committees will be considered in the Fall. This proposal from the Navy was received through the University’s Office of Veterans Affairs.

Report on Stony Brook Athletics by Richard Laskowski, Dean of Phys. Ed. and Athletics

Provided a written summary with details of the presentation.

Explained the differences between Divisions I, II, and III. In Division I, there is IA, IAA, and IAAA. The A’s pertain to the number of football scholarships allowed. In AAA, aid must be based on need not football ability. Stony Brook has moved from III to IAAA. We now are in the America East conference. Discussed the strengths and weaknesses of the America East conference. Examined graduation rates and other data pertaining to scholarship athletes at the schools in the conference. Title IX gender equity drives the sports that are sponsored. About 350 students now are involved in SB’s athletic program.

Fall GPA for athletes was 2.8. About 50% were on the Dean’s list, and 17% on academic notice.

Compared SB athletic budget with that of the other schools in the conference. Budget is financed by State, student fees, and revenue from athletics. Goal is to have the total split these three ways equally. (A. Wishnia pointed out that cost per undergraduate might be a useful comparison to have.)

Challenges: Need to win at the conference level in 4 sports: football, men’s and women’s basketball, and lacrosse. Men’s lacrosse won the conference championship, against Albany, and is playing in NCAA finals this Spring. The next game is Saturday at Brown against Cornell. Need to provide support for the academic success of athletes. Need to recruit academically talented students.

Goals: Win, not just be competitive. Win the Conference Cup, academically and athletically. All teams in the NCAA championship. Be number 1 academically and athletically in the metropolitan area, do better than Columbia and St Johnhs. 100% graduation rate, all students on Dean’s list, have Academic All-Americans, post-grad scholarships like Rhodes, raise 1 MS next year through PAWS, increase scholarships, improve facilities – especially track.

Physical Education: State has approved a new major - Athletic Training – for the Fall Semester. This major will address the State requirement of a trainer for high school athletic teams. (Mark Aronoff spoke to the high quality of the proposal for this major.)

Suggestions were made for crew or other water sports, hockey, women’s rugby. Need to add women’s sports for gender equity.

Item IX on the agenda, on the Undergraduate Colleges, was postponed.

No old business, no new business

Motion to adjourn passed at 5:02