

Faculty Assembly Meeting Minutes

Mar. 23, 2017 at 12:30 pm

Kunsela Hall A112

(Quorum Reached)

- I. Approval of the agenda
- II. Approval of the minutes of the February meeting (attached)
- III. **Executive Council report**
 - a. Updates on issues (Ron Sarner). Deferred until after committee reports.
 - b. Update on governance council (Maarten Heyboer) – Elections to be held at the next meeting. Deferred until after committee reports.

Committee Chair Reports

- a. Academic Affairs - Rosemary Mullick, Chair
 - a. Resolution regarding Applied Learning at SUNY Polytechnic Institute (Utica Campus). See attached
 1. May 1st deadline to indicate campus policy
 2. Discussion—none

Motion on Applied Learning carries (see attachment)
 - b. Clarification on policy regarding Academic Minor (8-credit requirement). See attached.
 1. Extensive discussion
 - a. VOTE: 15 against adoption, 14 for, 0 abstentions
 - b. Straw poll held what should AA do? No count taken, but suggestion: that AA come back with 2 resolutions
 - i. Specifying additional credits beyond those required for the degree, and
 - ii. Anyone having the courses specified for the minor, regardless if double counted or not, gets the minor

Other Committee Reports--because of lack of time, refer to printed document; no concerns raised.

Additional announcements:

Faculty Assembly Chair:

- Survey re: existing structure, representative body, reconstitute charges to the committees—has been made available to faculty. Results will be reported at April meeting
- Elections for next year's joint governance structure to be held at April and May Faculty Assembly meetings
- Executive Committee had discussion regarding Provost's proposal to roll out electronic survey of classes, procedural and substantive problems
 - Concerns that solely electronic administration may have deleterious effect on response rate; AND
 - Concerns about effect on tenured faculty

Guests: Michelle Kent-Landes (Director, student academic success) and Kelly Colbert (assistant athletic director for compliance [NCAA] and academic success): introduced selves; asked for concerns and feedback

Maarten Heyboer—Governance Council—Friday 17 Mar, held last-minute meeting:

- Release of survey results
- Academic Calendar issues—will generate three possible solutions for calendar resolution
- Payment of graduate students at Albany campus may arise as an issue (summary: extremely well-paid, and get milestone raises (10%); making it unaffordable for SUNY Poly to maintain support overall; currently paid out of researchers grants (RF), Albany campus faculty think this should be paid out of stateside money, will create a new obligation on SUNY Poly budget; our planning and budgeting committee should look at, amount and discrepancy between Utica and Albany grad students

C Phipps, UFS—no announcements

K Rourke, Graduate Council—all faculty invited 5 May, Master's Hooding Ceremony and Brunch, doors open 9:30am, will be seeking head count from deans

ADJOURNED 1:39pm

Respectfully submitted by Kristina Boylan, substituting for Russell Kahn (secretary). Edited by R. Kahn.