

SUNY Polytechnic Institute
Faculty Assembly
Meeting
September 28, 2017

Minutes

The meeting was called to order following a joint meeting with the Staff Assembly at 12:30 to hold elections as follows:

Shannon Pritting was elected as co-chair of the SUNY-Poly Committee on Technology, Libraries, and Distance Learning.

Doreen Rogers was elected the representative to the College Association.

Members of the Staff Assembly departed for their own meeting. The chair established that a quorum was present and the Faculty Assembly meeting began.

The distributed agenda and minutes of the April Faculty Assembly meeting were accepted without objection.

There were no nominations for the position of Vice President/Secretary. The Executive Committee will be tasked with recruiting for this position.

Coskun Cetinkaya was nominated to chair the Academic Affairs committee. Nominations were closed and it was moved and seconded to suspend the rules requiring a written ballot. Motion to suspend the rules carried. Motion to elect Cetinkaya was approved without dissent.

There were no nominations for the position of chair of Planning and Budgeting. The chair indicated that he would ask the previous chair of the committee, Roger Cavallo, to convene the committee and to request it to select its own chair and to bring that nomination forth to the next Assembly meeting.

A report by Provost Durgin followed. New faculty were introduced. Provost Durgin reviewed enrollment and retention progress and thanked faculty for their contributions. He also provided a status update on disciplinary accreditation actions and changes in Middle States processes.

The chair briefly reported on Assembly actions awaiting administration action. Provost Durgin responded that there are several items, including the Acceptable Use Policy, e-mail recommendations, and remote wiping of user-owned electronic devices that are undergoing administration review which should be completed shortly.

Academic Personnel committee chair Maarten Heyboer reported that the committee will be considering a request by Provost Durgin that student course evaluation be extended to every course, every semester. The committee's first meeting is scheduled for the first week of October.

The chair noted that regularly scheduled Assembly meetings in November and December will have to be rescheduled; the November meeting falls on Thanksgiving Day, and the December meeting during the winter break.

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