



University at Buffalo

Faculty Senate

University Shared Governance

Faculty Senate Executive Committee Meeting Minutes September 26, 2023 310 Silverman

Attendance: see Appendix 1

Call to Order

The chair, Suzanne Laychock, called the meeting to order at 3:00 pm and welcomed everyone to the meeting.

Agenda: [The agenda](#) for the day was approved unanimously.

1. [Minutes of 9/12/23](#)
2. Provost's Report
3. Chair's Report
4. [FS Academic Planning & Assessment Resolution](#) presented by D. Christian & A. Bisantz
5. [Middle States Accreditation Site Visit & Self Study](#) presented by A. Bisantz
6. FS Committees appointments
7. Discussion of [Faculty Senate Faculty Satisfaction survey and COACHE survey](#) led by S. Laychock

Action Items

- Approved minutes.
- Approved "Resolution to Adjust UBC Diversity in the United States requirement Learning Outcomes" to go to Faculty Senate for 2 readings and a vote to accept.
- Approved committee appointments and EC liaisons.
- FSA Director approved.
- Committee on Appointment, Promotion, and Tenure charged to consider a recommendation extending the continuing appointment limit for NTT faculty from the current SUNY mandated 3-year contract to 5-year contracts.
- Discussion of surveys will continue in the next EC meeting.

Other Items

- The Provost discussed undergraduate and graduate enrollment. Undergraduate is down 1% while graduate enrollment is up. Retention among undergraduates is down from pre-Pandemic high of 88% to currently around 83%. Various initiatives are being launched to support and encourage retention. An EC member asked for a response to the Potsdam announcement regarding program closures. The Provost and members discussed the budget challenges all SUNYs are facing and how the new Chancellor is dealing with these challenges.

Adjournment: Meeting adjourned at 4:32pm



Faculty Senate Executive Committee Meeting
September 26, 2023
3:00 - 4:30 p.m.

CHAIR:

Suzanne Laychock – ✓

SECRETARY:

Cindi Tysick – ✓

PARLIAMENTARIAN:

Pat Long- excused

ARCHITECTURE & PLANNING:

COLLEGE OF ARTS & SCIENCES:

Swathi Karmcheti – ✓

Sara Metcalf – ✓

Sampson Lee Blair – ✓

Liana Vardi – ✓

DENTAL MEDICINE:

EDUCATIONAL OPPORTUNITY CENTER:

Marsha Christiano – ✓

ENGINEERING & APPLIED SCIENCES:

GRADUATE SCHOOL OF EDUCATION:

Omayra Munoz-Lorenzo – ✓

LAW:

Jorge Fabra-Zamora – ✓

MANAGEMENT:

Prasad Balkundi – ✓

MEDICINE & BIOMEDICAL SCIENCES:

Thomas Melendy – ✓

David Shucard – ✓

Margaret DeAngelis – ✓

Phil Glick – ✓

NURSING:

Meg Doezbacher – ✓

PHARMACY:

Erin Slazak – ✓

PUBLIC HEALTH AND HEALTH PROFESSIONS:

Ekaterina Noyes – ✓

SOCIAL WORK:

Peter Sobota – ✓

UNIVERSITY LIBRARIES:

John Beatty – ✓

SUNY SENATORS:

Kristin Stapleton – ✓

Amit Kandel – excused

Patrick Long – excused

R.J. Multari – ✓

PRESIDENT OF THE UNIVERSITY AT BUFFALO:

Satish Tripathi – excused

PROVOST OF THE UNIVERSITY AT BUFFALO:

Scott Weber – ✓

INVITED GUESTS:

Amy Bisantz - ✓

Diane Christian - ✓

Danielle LaMarre-Smith - ✓

UNIVERSITY LEADERSHIP:

Robert Granfield - ✓

Tilman Baumstark - ✓

OTHERS IN ATTENDANCE:

Jessica Naish – Shared Governance Administrative Assistant

Fred Stoss – Ex Officio member, former Chair