



Attendance: see Appendix 1

Call to Order

The chair, Suzanne Laychock, called the meeting to order at 3:03 pm and welcomed everyone to the meeting.

Agenda: The agenda approved.

1. [Minutes from 12-12-23](#) C. Tysick
2. [Chair's report](#) S. Laychock
3. Provost's Report A.S. Weber
4. 5-year Appointment Recommendation Resolution S. Laychock
5. Resolution to add UB FS Chair as Member of the President's Cabinet P.Glick
6. Academic Freedom and Responsibility Committee charge S. Metcalf and R. Rasmussen
7. Committee Nominations C. Tysick
8. Shared Governance Day discussion S. Laychock

Action Items

- Minutes of 12-12-23 approved unanimously.
- 5 year recommendation resolution tabled until 2-13-24
- Resolution to add UB FS Chair as Member of the President's Cabinet tabled until 2-13-24
- Dr. Maria Segol appointed to the Academic Freedom and Responsibility Committee

Other

- Dr. Turquessa Francis as introduced as the newly elected, incoming Secretary of the Faculty Senate
- Provost's Report
 - Undergraduate enrollment for Spring 2024 is up 200 students
 - Recruiting for Associate VP for International Admissions.
 - Middle States visit is a month away, refer to the [Provost's website](#) for visit details.
 - Governor announced the [Empire AI Consortium](#) with \$400 million in public and private funding to develop Empire AI with UB as the statewide location.
 - Dr. Rachel Ablow has been accepted into the Provost's Faculty Fellows program. She will be exploring Experiential Learning in the Humanities for CAS and broadening her university leadership experience.
- Chair's Report highlights
 - UB Curriculum resolution on diversity in the U.S. approved by President Tripathi
 - President Tripathi is reviewing the approved resolution to amend the Promotion and Tenure handbook
 - Sponsored Programs was given the names of faculty interested in serving on their advisory groups and planning committee.

- SUNY Plenary updates
 - SUNY downstate hospital closure was discussed.
 - An increase in state funding was needed.
- Committees of the UB Faculty Senate should be active at this point. If you are a liaison to a committee and they are not meeting or doing work please reach out to the FS Chair.
- Academic Freedom and Responsibility Committee
 - Committee has asked the senate for feedback through a short survey sent to the listserv.
 - Committee would like time at the February Faculty Senate meeting to discuss the outcomes.
- Shared Governance Day-the Chair has not decided yet what the day should look like and has asked for suggestions. They will also reach out to the PSS Chair and try to co-ordinate an event.

Adjournment: Meeting adjourned at 4:32pm

Appendix 1: Attendance

CHAIR:

Suzanne Laychock - Present

SECRETARY:

Cynthia Tysick - Present

PARLIAMENTARIAN:

Pat Long - Excused

ARCHITECTURE & PLANNING:

Kerry Traynor – Present

COLLEGE OF ARTS & SCIENCES:

Swathi Karmacheti – Present

Sampson Lee Blair - Present

Sara Metcalf - Present

Liana Vardi - Present

DENTAL MEDICINE:

Michelle Visser - Present

EDUCATIONAL OPPORTUNITY CENTER:

Marsha Christiano - Present

ENGINEERING & APPLIED SCIENCES:

Sreyasee Das Battacheerjee - Present

Weifeng Su - Present

GRADUATE SCHOOL OF EDUCATION:

Omayra Munoz-Lorenzo - Absent

LAW:

Jorge Fabra-Zamora - Present

MANAGEMENT:

Prasad Balkundi - Present

MEDICINE & BIOMEDICAL SCIENCES:

Margaret DeAngelis - Absent

Thomas Melendy - Present

David Shucard - Absent

Phil Glick - Excused

NURSING:

Meg Doerzbacher - Present

PHARMACY:

Erin Slazak – Excused

PUBLIC HEALTH AND HEALTH PROFESSIONS:

Katia Noyes - Present

SOCIAL WORK:

Peter Sobota - Absent

UNIVERSITY LIBRARIES:

John Beatty - Present

SUNY SENATORS:

Amit Kandel - Absent

Kristin Stapleton - Present

Patrick Long - Excused

R.J. Multari - Present

PRESIDENT OF THE UNIVERSITY AT BUFFALO:

Satish Tripathi - Excused

PROVOST OF THE UNIVERSITY AT BUFFALO:

A. Scott Weber - Present

UNIVERSITY LEADERSHIP:
Robert Granfield - Present
Graham Hammill - Present

OTHERS IN ATTENDANCE:
Jessica Naish - Present
Turquessa Francis - Present
Randall Rasmusson - Present