I. Approval of agenda: approved.

II. Approval of minutes from February 10, 2013: approved.

III. President’s Report (T. Sears)

- University Senate accepted the revised Stony Brook General Education Curriculum committee report. Outstanding issues: grade requirement of C or better, HSC courses, and forming a certification committee.
- Need nominations for A&S President and Vice-President. There are also openings on various committees and vacancies for at-large senators.
- Details have recently been released regarding the new UUP contract.
- Cluster hires: final one-page letters of intent were due March 5th. Ten A&S letters will go forward to a full proposal. The Provost’s Office has begun the process of filling membership of the proposal review committee.
- MOOC committee report was submitted to the Provost earlier this month.

IV. Dean’s report (N. Squires)

- Cluster hires: The college has its own review committee. Twenty Seven letters of intent came in and the committee endorsed twelve which are going forward to full proposals.
- Budget: Part I of the new budgeting process: Provost wants reports from all Deans with a report on major activities for 2012 and a projection of activities and priorities for 2013. There will be a Part II but no instructions for this have been received yet. It will have to do with departmental requests for searches for the next year (justify any search request in terms of strategic plan of the department). Advancement brought in $11 Mil. with an additional $11 Mil. from the Simons match. Also did well in external funding (grant funding from the Research Foundation). Biggest grant receiver is the School of Medicine, but they have 50% more faculty.
- Large number of hires in 2012: 12 in HFA, 9 in SBS, 6 in PSM and 3 in LS.

V. Discussion of Curriculum Committee and the other changes in light of Gen Ed Course Certification (T. Sears)

- One of the last outstanding issues was the formation of a curriculum certification committee. This committee has to be set up because of the expected major amount of work in terms of certification of the new course structure.
• The University Senate made a proposal at their last meeting on setting up an Ad Hoc Committee. Some aspects of their proposal needed to be clarified (e.g., exact membership). The proposal was read.

Vote on accepting the University Senate document on creating and Ad Hoc committee on Curriculum Course Certification: All in favor, none opposed, no abstentions.

The Resolution on Membership of Proposed Course Certification Committee was read.
Vote: All in favor, none opposed and no abstentions. Resolution passed.

VI. Second reading of Proposed change to rules for Library Promotion and Tenure Review (A. Mayr)

• There were a few minor changes. They came about mostly because the PTC had been contacted by the existing Library PTC to show them the draft document. They came back with amendments and they made some good points that were incorporated into the document.

VII. Second reading of proposed changes to A&S Senate Constitution to align with University Senate Constitution and By-Laws (T. Sears)

• Would like to move the description of the standing committees and their procedures from the Constitution to the By-Laws.
• This would permit a simpler procedure when standing committee changes are required.
• For Constitutional changes, up to three meetings of the full A&S Senate are required, while changes to the By-Laws can be made in a single meeting.

Dr. Aller hopes that the senators will go back to their respective departments and talk about the concept in general education and defining suggested themes students might pick from that would provide coherency.

VIII. Old Business: no old business.

IX. New Business: no new business.

Meeting adjourned.

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