I. Approval of the Agenda
II. Approval of the September 2013 Minutes
III. Report from the President of the Senate
IV. Introduction to Research Technologies (D. Ecker, DoIT)
V. Reaccreditation of the School of Dental Medicine (S. Walker)
VI. Update on Middle States Reaccreditation (D. Davis)
VII. News from the School of Nursing (M Buhse)
VIII. Vote on the Proposed Department of Biomedical Informatics (D. Dwyer)
IX. Report from East Campus (K. Kaushansky)
X. Report from the President (S. Stanley)
XI. Report from the Provost (S. Assanis)
XII. Report from the UUP (C. Gizzi, A. Shertzer)
XIII. New Business
XIV. Old Business
XV. Adjourn
Attachments

May Minutes (II)
Research Technologies Overview (IV)
Middle States Update (VI)
Rationale for the Biomedical Informatics program (VIII)
East Campus Report (XI)
President’s Report (X)
University Senate  
Meeting  
September 9, 2013  

I. Approval of agenda: approved.  

II. Approval of minutes from May 6th: approved.  

III. Report from Senate President (F. Walter)  

• This meeting is mostly informational.  
• The Animal Policy has been implemented.  
• There was another round of cluster hires this past spring.  
• Waiting on word regarding the Dean of Libraries search.  
• State Legislature did nothing on the smoking ban.  
• We have a new CIO who will present at a future meeting.  

IV. The Future of the Graduate School (C. Taber)  

• There was never any formal mission/vision for the Graduate School.  
• The most important element in the graduate school plan was to increase graduate student stipends. Proposed a significant increase to the minimum TA/GA/RA stipends, with the support of the Provost’s office. They will receive $5,000 to spread over five years.  
• There has been an increase in TA lines over the last two years. In February 2012, 658 TA lines were allocated to graduate programs. In March 2012, 50 additional lines were allocated as part of the Graduate School proposal submitted through the Provost’s Office for SUNY 2020.  
• Working with Ben Hsiao and Susan Brennan, the graduate School has already started a project to increase the number of SB students who apply for prestigious national fellowships.  
• Restructuring Graduate School staff for professionalism.  
• Will be putting out a graduate student satisfaction survey and expanding exit survey.  
• Developing graduate programs in the Arts and Humanities.  
• Advancement projects: Mentor/fellow program. Developing mentor skills. Graduate Students will be mentoring undergraduate students. There will be a $3K stipend.  

V. Update on Campus Construction (B. Chernow)  

• The new Student Recreation Center is now complete and opened last fall.  
• Ribbon cutting took place at Frey Hall commemorating the first building that is dedicated solely to classroom space.
• Construction of the new Computer Science building continues.
• Replaced the last hot water piping.
• Ribbon cutting for the new Marine Sciences Research Center at Southampton.
• Kelly Dining renovation is complete.
• The new garden at the Simons Center is complete.
• New bed towers on East Campus.

Va. Going to Albany: The Search for More Money (E. Crossen)

• Didn’t receive the 74-75 Mil. for critical maintenance in the last budget.
• Working with SUNY Central. The Decision to not fund critical maintenance came from the Division of Budget.
• Little more optimistic on getting the funds this year.
• Senator La Valle has pledged this year to work for a five-year capital plan for SUNY.

VI. Proposed Department in Biomedical Informatics (K. Kaushansky)

• Proposing a new Department in Biomedical Informatics with the College of Engineering.
• Envision members of the new department coming from disciplines of computer sciences, applied math, pharmacology, and the medical and nursing disciplines.
• In addition to the Chair, eight new faculty members will be recruited. Four from the School of Medicine and four from the College of Engineering. Salary lines will be derived from SUNY 2020.
• A search committee was formed with representatives from CEAS and SOM to identify a candidate to found the new department. Dr. Joel Saitz, currently Chair of the Department of Biomedical Informatics at Emory University, was chosen.
• This was supported by the HSC Faculty Senate and the CEAS Senate. Would like the support from the University Senate.

VII. President’s Report (M. Whelan)

• Approximately 281 more students than last year.
• Over the summer, the NYS Legislature passed START-UP NY (SUNY Tax-free Areas to Revitalize and Transform Upstate NY. This is a university-based economic development initiative. It will foster entrepreneurialism and job creation across the state.
• Budget: state tax support remained at last year’s level of $148 mil. with projected tuition revenue increasing by $19 mil. to a total of $198 mil.
• Stony Brook University sponsored a Children’s Defense Fund Freedom School this past summer.
• The University ranked 89th among the top 100 institutions across the world by The Center for World Universities Rankings.
VIII. Report from the Provost (C. Taber)

- Dr. Thomas Sexton appointed Interim Dean of the School of Professional Development. Dr. Sexton was formerly the Associate Dean of the College of Business. Dr. Paul Edelson had stepped down as Dean on August 31st.
- Dr. Eric Rabkin as been appointed Associate Provost for Online Education.
- Pulitzer Prize winning journalist and author, Carl Bernstein joins the faculty as a Visiting Presidential Professor.
- There are seven recipients this year for the Outstanding Lecturer Award.

IX. UUP Report (A. Shertzer)

- There are two scholarships available. One for an undergraduate student and one for a graduate student
- Recently had a permanent appointment denial overturned by the Chancellor.
- On Friday, the Governor signed the Pay Bill so the contract will begin its final phase. Furloughs – Deficit reduction. ⅔ of a day will be taken out of your paycheck. Total 9 days and will be getting back 7.

X. New Business: no new business

XI. Old Business: no old business

Meeting adjourned at 5:00 p.m.

Submitted by:
Laurie Theobalt
Secretary
Overview of Research Technologies

You can DoIT with us,
We create possibilities.

Division of Information Technology
www.stonybrook.edu/researchtech
Goals of Research Technologies

- Develop the goals with researchers input
- Assist researchers in configuring technology solutions.
- Improve Information Technology focus on Research
- Implement new IT services supporting the Research Community.
What is Research Technologies?
RESEARCH TECHNOLOGIES

University wide Services

Computational
High Performance Computing (HPC)
Computational
Linux
Virtual Sinc Site
IT Research Website
DMP Tool
IT Consulting
Technology guidance
Grant Assistance

Collaboration

Data Sharing

Security

Data Management

IT Consulting

Data Management

Data Storage

Infrastructure

Data Sharing

IT

Data Sharing

Research Data

IT Consulting

Data Storage

Grant Assistance

Sensitive Data

OS Updates

Education

Research Data

Data Backups
Why now?

To maintain or upgrade our status amongst world class Universities, the Division of Information Technology recognizes that the research community and their technology requirements need to be part of any long term vision and planning for IT in the 21st century.

Based on input from surveys over the past 3 years, we have:

- Roll-out a Three-Year network plan
- Providing access (at not cost to researchers) Qualtrics, online survey platform.
- Investigating and Implementing a VoIP project to update our aging telecommunications infrastructure.
Why now? Cont..

• National Science Foundation has instituted a Data Management Plan must be included with each grant application.

• Colleagues have shared that the National Institute of Health appears to favor Shared Service models over individual equipment purchases.

• The Office of Science has issued a directive to Federally Funding Agencies to make scientific research data available to public, industry and scientific community
HSC Survey – IT Research Results
HSC Survey - Research Questions - June 2013

- Security to manage research data
- Software to manage and data analysis
- Secure/Reliable access to data for research
- Share Large Data Sets

Minimum  | Actual  | Desired
Research Technology Life Cycle

- Grant Proposal Prep
- Consult with Research and Procure
- Configure and Install
- Support and Enhance
- Decommission
Research Technologies IT Guide:

Stony Brook University provides access to a cultivated collection of software dedicated to your research needs. Below you will find brief descriptions of the packages offered as well as information regarding location and access instruction. As Research Technologies expands, we will start listing a larger compilation of software that is essential for your research needs. Currently you can find a compilation of all provided and discounted software in the DoIT Software Catalog.

If you have any questions or concerns about software offered, please do not hesitate to contact us via e-mail at: ResearchTech@stonybrook.edu. For additional information, please click the software title’s name below.

- **ChemDraw**
  ChemDraw is a program that allows users to draw chemical structures and convert chemical structures to name and vice versa.
  This software is available to Faculty, Researchers, Staff, Students

- **Data Management Plan Tool**
  Data Management Plan Tool (DMP Tool) is an online resource that is meant to assist researchers in creating data management plans as required by most grant proposals.
  This software is available to Faculty, Researchers, Staff, Students

- **LabVIEW**

www.stonybrook.edu/researchtech
Technological Research Future Needs….

The needs regarding IT usage is growing within the Research community

Estimates from Bruns-Pak Data Center Capacity Plan
Growth Projections-Space
Based on Hosting/ Co-Lo Solution

Source: Based on Bruns-Pak Estimation of Stony Brook’s Growth Projection
Growth Projections-Cooling
Based on Hosting/Co-Lo Solution

Source: Based on Bruns-Pak Estimation of Stony Brook's Growth Projection
Growth Projections - Power
Based on Hosting/Co-Lo Solution

Source: Based on Bruns-Pak Estimation of Stony Brook's Growth Projection
Research Computing at other World Class Institutions

- University of Michigan – HPC, Software Library, Data Management
- University of Arizona – HPC, Storage, Consulting/Training
- Harvard – Consulting, outreach, Data Security, and Storage
- Penn State – HPC, IT specific consulting, Visualization, & Software development/programming
- University of Albany – HPC, assistance with grants, & facility setup and configuration
- Boston College – Consultation, training, statistics, GIS and data analysis
I am here… I want to listen..

- **Now**: I am the liaison to help you engage and navigate IT services

- **In the future**: I hope to enhance IT in your area

The key for future growth is to understand your IT needs and set the strategy…
Future plans:

1. Outreach – listen, learn, build rapport
2. Assist new Faculty members
3. Educate IT and University Administration
4. Develop an IT guide for Researchers
5. Set and Implement strategic IT items that will assist the campus research community
6. Pilot new technologies to enhance IT in research community
Middle States Accreditation Update to University Senate

October 7, 2013
Middle States Accreditation – update to Senate, 10/7/2013

◆ Preliminary Visit (November 13-14, 2013)
  ◆ Dr. William E. Kirwan – Chancellor, University System of Maryland
  ◆ Preparation of plans for the Full Visit

◆ Full Visit (Sunday March 30 – Wednesday April 2, 2014)
  ◆ Twelve site team evaluators (including Dr. Kirwan)
  ◆ Jason Lane, SUNY Assoc. Provost for Graduate Education & Research
  ◆ Tito Guerrero III, Vice President, Middle States Commission on Higher Education
Accreditation

Demonstrate that Stony Brook University meets or surpasses the 14 Characteristics of Excellence

Most frequently identify concerns with:

- Standard 2 – Planning, Resource Allocation & Institutional Renewal
- Standard 7 – Institutional Assessment
- Standard 14 – Assessment of Student Learning
- >70% of Universities now receive some form of mandated follow-up action
Our Process – over two years at this point

- Widely disseminated information regarding Middle States – the standards and significance of accreditation
- Divided the 14 Standards of Excellence between six Working Groups made up of over 85 faculty, staff, graduate and undergraduate students, and administrators
- Working Groups met regularly developing draft documents for each of the standards
- Logistics Committee (planning for the visit)
- Communication Committee (getting the word out)
Since June – we have been working on the draft reports as they have been submitted

- Preserving essence of working group efforts
  - but bringing them closer to 'one voice'
- Adding required documentation
  - Text
  - Quantitative Data
- Confirming both accuracy and appropriateness
- Ensuring that all *Fundamental Elements* are addressed
Painstakingly detailed work

We now have 14 distinct drafts
- each addresses a separate Standard of Excellence
- each is linked to datasets for rapid web access

Upcoming meeting with President Stanley to
- share draft with him
- solicit his input

Will solicit input from:
Provost Assanis, Senior VPs Chernow & Kaushansky
We will then:

- integrate input from senior leadership:
  - address their specific concerns
  - finish linking chapters with overarching themes ('the story')
  - highlight specific issues and examples of what SBU is/does

- distribute the draft text to the broader University community
  - Senate
  - other academic and administrative leaders
  - post on the Middle States website

- integrate community input into the evolving document
  - to be submitted to Middle States in February
So what is biomedical informatics? Many in the basic life sciences are familiar with the term “bioinformatics”, the use of computational methods to extract meaning from large data sets. Many in the clinical world of hospitals and physician practices are familiar with the term “clinical informatics”, using electronic records to be certain that patients are receiving the best possible, evidence-based preventive and responsive medical care. The term "biomedical informatics" includes both of these disciplines and approaches, and more. Using many of the same approaches required to make sense out of, for example, the complete normal and malignant genomic sequences of 50 patients with leukemia, biomedical informatics is beginning to decipher the origins of disease, and their responses to treatment, by mining the information available in patient medical histories, physical examinations, clinical laboratory testing, CT, PET and MRI scans, and pathological samples. Based on this level of complexity, we envision members of the Department of Biomedical Informatics coming from the disciplines of computer sciences, applied mathematics, pharmacology, and the medical and nursing disciplines.

In the 1980s the realization that the terms "quantitative biology" and "quantitative medicine" should not be oxymoronic lead several pioneers to propose programs in biomedical informatics. One such pioneer was Ted Shortliffe, who created a new program at Stanford University. Another is Joel Saltz, who in 1984 penned a paper entitled "The Teaching of Medical Computation". In response to a myriad of needs at Stony Brook University School of Medicine, in late 2011 Dean Ken Kaushansky engaged Dean Yacov Shamash in initial conversations to create a program in and department of biomedical informatics. They assembled several experts in applied mathematics, computer sciences, biostatistics, biomedical informatics and other disciplines to create a "white paper" (attached) to illustrate what a Stony Brook program and department should address. The white paper calls for the recruitment of a Masters and a Doctoral program in Biomedical Informatics and appropriate resources to teach and perform cutting edge research in the field. Through the collaboration of President Stanley, Provost Assanis, and Deans Kaushansky and Shamash, the following resources are being made available for the new department:

In addition to the Chair, eight new faculty members will be recruited; four to the School of Medicine and four to the College of Engineering and Applied Sciences, the salary lines for which will be available through the tuition increases derived from SUNY 2020
legislation. We will also provide resources to recruit three full time staff members, the launch of the graduate program with 8 PhD lines, 5000 sf of space in the School of Medicine and College of Engineering and Applied Sciences, with another 3000 sf in 2016 upon completion of the MART building. The computational needs of the new faculty will be provided by the Department of Computer Sciences, and will comprise space in the machine room for a few racks (excluding HIPAA compliant machines) for remote access, and office space for a Systems Engineer who will install and maintain these racks. We will support a CPU/GPU cluster with high performance network, and non-volatile storage. The proposed coursework will be taught by the core faculty, along with current faculty who will be given joint appointments in the Department. We have already reached out to enlist many secondary appointees from the departments of applied mathematics, computer science, biomedical engineering, pharmacology, radiology, psychiatry, physiology, preventive medicine and envision many other wanting to join to avail themselves of the sophisticated research tools and bright graduate students attracted to the program. We do not anticipate these teaching duties will adversely affect the educational programs in their home departments, as each course will include expertise from a variety of sources, limiting any given faculty members contributions to the coursework.

Finally, lead by Dr. Lina Obeid, Dean for Research within the School of Medicine, a search committee was assembled with representatives from both the CEAS and SoM to identify an outstanding candidate to found the new Department. The search yielded Dr. Joel Saitz, currently Chair of the Department of Biomedical Informatics at Emory University. Joel received his Bachelors and Masters of Science degrees in Mathematics at the University of Michigan and then entered the MD/PhD program at Duke University, with his PhD studies performed in the Department of Computer Sciences. Joel began his academic career in Computer Science at Yale, the Institute for Computer Applications in Science and Engineering at NASA Langley and the University of Maryland College Park. Joel then performed a residency in Clinical Pathology at Johns Hopkins School of Medicine and become Professor with a dual appointment at the University of Maryland and Johns Hopkins, serving in the University of Maryland Department of Computer Science and Institute for Advanced Computer Studies, and the Johns Hopkins Department of Pathology. In 2001 Joel moved to Ohio, to become Professor and Founding Chair of the new Department of Biomedical Informatics at The Ohio State University College of Medicine. At Ohio State Joel also served as Associate Vice President for Health Sciences for Informatics, and played important leadership roles in the Cancer Center, Heart Institute and Department of Pathology. In 2008, Joel moved to Emory to found the new Department of Biomedical
Informatics. Over his career Joel's research focus has been to develop techniques and tools to enable deep integrative and coordinated translational research involving multiple "omics" and clinical information, within pathology, imaging, and cancer medicine. Specifically, he has worked to apply novel informatics methods and tools to support quantitative analysis, annotation, and clinical correlation with pathological imaging. In the realm of clinical research, Joel has developed methods and tools to generate actionable clinical phenotypes from information obtained from clinical systems, particularly from patient co-morbidities and socioeconomic factors. An immediate benefit from such an analysis is to leverage clinical information systems in predictive models that determine the origins of readmissions and other healthcare quality-related outcomes, driving better medical decisions. And in the very basic science side of his career, Joel has a 25 year history of research in developing middleware, optimization methods and algorithms that target high end and data intensive scientific computing applications.

The creation of a Department of Biomedical Informatics at Stony Brook University has the potential to catalyze quantifying medicine and biology, extract meaningful new insights from "big data" sets, in biological and medical disciplines, and further draw the east and west campuses of the University closer together to the benefit of all our faculty and programs.
I. Recruitments
   A. Chairs
   B. Institution Directors
   II. Educational reviews
      A. School of Dental Medicine
      B. Program in Public Health
   III. Research enterprise
      A. Current level of funding stable
      B. Bridge funding policy = “Work in Progress”
      C. Laboratory space remodeling
      D. Ground braking for MART/ SBUH-SBCH Bed Tower set for November 22nd (oh dear)
   IV. Hospital issues
      A. State support budget
      B. Clinical activity
      C. Networking
   V. Department of Biomedical Informatics
      A. Response to CAPRA Report
      B. Additional faculty affiliations
MEMORANDUM

TO: University Senate
FROM: Samuel L. Stanley Jr., M.D.
President
DATE: October 7, 2013
SUBJECT: President’s Report

I. FALL 2013 ENROLLMENT DATA

The final enrollment snapshot was taken on Tuesday, September 17. Stony Brook reported 24,386 registered students after 15 class days. This figure reflects 157 more students than on last year’s snapshot date. The enrollment count shows an increase in the number of West Campus undergraduates, East Campus students and Southampton students. The greatest recorded decrease has been the number of students enrolled in the School of Professional Development. The 2013-2014 freshman class is impressive. More than 30,000 applications were received and just over 2,700 were enrolled when the final snapshot was taken. The median high school GPA of our enrolled freshman class was a 93 and the median SAT score was 1240.

II. STONY BROOK RECEIVES BEST EVER RANKING BY U.S. NEWS & WORLD REPORT

It was recently announced that Stony Brook University ranks among the top 100 National Universities in America and among the top 40 Public National Universities in the country, according to the 2014 edition of the U.S. News & World Report survey. Stony Brook is ranked 82nd among national universities, which the report defines as universities that “are typically large institutions that focus on research and grant bachelor's, master's, and doctoral degrees.” This is a 10 spot jump from last year’s 92nd rank. Stony Brook also ranked 34th in the Top Public National Universities category. These new rankings represent the highest rankings awarded to Stony Brook by U.S. News & World Report in each respective category.

III. TWO STONY BROOK RESEARCHERS TO RECEIVE SUNY RF COLLABORATION FUND AWARDS

Governor Cuomo recently announced that seven wide-ranging research projects involving 10 SUNY campuses will each receive up to $100,000 from the SUNY Research Collaboration Fund. This fund supports research collaborations among campuses as part of The Power of SUNY, the system’s strategic plan. Of these projects, two involve Stony Brook faculty members – Orlando Scharer, PhD, Professor of Pharmacological Sciences and Chemistry, and Joanne Davila, PhD, Professor of Psychology.
Dr. Scharer and researchers at SUNY College of Nanoscale Science and Engineering in Albany will provide a basis for identifying cancer patients who will respond well to specific chemotherapeutic regiments, thus promoting personalized medicine for the treatment of ovarian cancer. Dr. Davila, along with researchers at Binghamton University and Upstate Medical University, will collaborate on a basic research project that may lead to the development of novel treatments that target the negative consequences of stress. I applaud Dr. Scharer and Dr. Davila and wish them success in their collaborative research endeavors.

IV. $2.25M IN FUNDING INITIATIVES FOR HUMANITIES AND UNDERREPRESENTED MINORITIES ANNOUNCED AT STATE OF THE UNIVERSITY ADDRESS

During the 2013 State of the University Address, I proudly announced a $1M commitment in support of the humanities, social sciences and arts. I cannot emphasize enough how vital these disciplines are at Stony Brook and their significance in helping shape and advance society. I also pledged $1M in new funding over the next four years to the EOP/AIM program. This program has seen incredible success over the years and truly deserves this boost. In a similar light, I also announced that the University’s Turner Fellowship Program will receive $250,000. For more than 25 years, this program has helped support outstanding graduate students from historically underrepresented backgrounds and has produced more minority doctorates than any other SUNY institution.

V. STONY BROOK’S CHILDREN’S DEFENSE FUND FREEDOM SCHOOL

In my last report, I briefed the Senate on the Children’s Defense Fund Freedom School. As you may recall, Stony Brook sponsored this six-week enrichment program for fifty children from the Wyandanch and Longwood Central School Districts that just completed second grade. The program certainly left a positive impression on those involved. I expressed my commitment to fund this program for the next four years during my 2013 State of the University Address. To learn more about this summer’s program, I encourage you to visit: http://www.stonybrook.edu/sb/features-freedom.html.

VI. WHELAN NAMED VICE PRESIDENT FOR STRATEGIC INITIATIVES

Matthew Whelan, Ed.D., was named Vice President for Strategic Initiatives on September 1. Matt reports directly to me and serves as an adviser in the areas of long term policy and strategic initiatives. This is a role in which he will identify institutional priorities, facilitate planning and take the lead in identifying and facilitating cross-functional academic initiatives at Stony Brook. Matt brings a broad-range of higher education experience and leadership to this position. He spent the last 24 years working in key positions in college admissions, financial aid and enrollment management – the last 15 of which have been at Long Island institutions. He joined Stony Brook in 2006 after serving in key positions at St. John’s and Hofstra University.
VII. CAMPUS SAFETY UPDATE

The recently published 2013 Annual Security Report is a valuable resource to members of the campus community and highlights the significant commitment the University places on the safety of all individuals who visit our campus. Contained in the report are policies and procedures focusing on the many resources that are available and the protocols in place that make Stony Brook University an extremely safe campus. Also contained in the report are crime statistics for the prior three calendar years. In 2012, the University reported a total of 75 Jeanne Clery Act Reportable crimes compared to 124 for 2011, a nearly 40% reduction. In the burglary category, there were 50 incidents reported in 2012, compared to 98 incidents in 2011, a 49% reduction. These reductions continue a five-year trend of lower reportable crimes overall when compared to 2008. In 2008 there were 229 crimes reported with burglaries accounting for 196. In short, that translates to a five year reduction of 67% in overall crime and 74% in the burglary category.

Consistent with the University’s commitment to campus safety, the Office of Access Control has increased the number of closed circuit television cameras and integrated the majority of independent camera systems onto a single platform. The current platform began with 150 cameras and over the last five years has increased to nearly 940 cameras. Additionally, over the same time period, the amount of Lenel electronic card access doors has increased from 750 to 1700 locations. These enhancements to the security camera infrastructure and Lenel card access doors are an important contribution to the overall safety of the campus. The use of these technologies allows our Police Department to continue to provide the most efficient and effective services to the campus community.

VIII. RECENT EVENTS

Wolfstock 2013 and Homecoming Football Game

Approximately 2,500 alumni, students, faculty, staff, neighbors and friends attended Wolfstock 2013 on Saturday, October 5. In addition to enjoying all of the activities associated with this homecoming barbecue celebration, a sellout crowd packed the stadium and cheered the Seawolves on against the Bryant Bulldogs.

State of the University Address

The annual State of the University Address took place on Wednesday, September 25 at the Staller Center Main Stage. I had the pleasure of welcoming new faculty members and administrators to Stony Brook University. If you were unable to attend or view the live broadcast, the text of my speech and the video are available at the following website:
http://www.stonybrook.edu/sb/stateofuniv13/.
Faculty Honor Wall Dedication

Following the State of the University Address, I had the privilege of honoring some of our most esteemed faculty members at the dedication of the recently installed Faculty Honor Wall. Approximately 250 people celebrated this historic occasion, which included dozens of honorees, institutional leaders, elected officials, students, and staff. Located in the Frank Melville Jr. Memorial Library/Galleria, the Faculty Honor Wall pays tribute to individuals that have garnered the following honors, ranks, and elected memberships: Abel Prize, American Academy of Arts and Sciences, American Association for the Advancement of Science, American Philosophical Society, Fields Medal, Institute of Medicine, National Academy of Engineering, National Academy of Sciences, National Inventors Hall of Fame, National Medal of Science, National Medal of Technology and Innovation, Nobel Prize, Pulitzer Prize, SUNY Distinguished Professor, and the Royal Society.

IX. UPCOMING EVENTS

University Awards Dinner

Faculty that have earned the prestigious system-level rank of Distinguished Professor and recipients of the SUNY Chancellor’s Award for Excellence will be recognized at the University Awards Dinner on October 10 at 6 p.m. in Ballroom A of the Student Activities Center. For more information, contact the Office of Conferences and Special Events at 632-6320.

Faculty Achievement Dinner

This year’s Faculty Achievement Dinner will take place on November 12 at 6 p.m. at the Old Field Club. Please join us as we celebrate the professional accomplishments and outstanding works of our distinguished faculty members. Contact the Office of Conferences and Special Events at 632-6320 for more details.

Groundbreaking Set for the Medical and Research Translation (MART)

The groundbreaking ceremony for the Medical and Research Translation (MART) building is scheduled for Friday, November 22.

X. ATHLETICS UPDATE

Arena

The Stony Brook Arena renovation is progressing well and remains on schedule to open in fall 2014. Almost all of the 4,000+ seats have been installed, the 5 suites have been framed and the wood court has been put down. Over the next few months, the court will be painted, the video and replay boards will be activated, and the suites will be outfitted. For the latest news on the progress of the arena, visit: http://www.goseawolves.org/stonybrookarena/.
Partnership with Champions Radio Announced

Stony Brook Athletics has partnered with Champions Radio, Long Island’s first and only sports radio station that provides year-round coverage 24 hours per day. Champions Radio launched in August and simulcasts ESPN radio content. The station will also cover all 2013 Stony Brook football games and a minimum of 18 men’s basketball games in 2013-14. The partnership will also include a weekly on-air interview during The Morning Drive show, as well as multiple on-air promotions of upcoming Stony Brook Athletics events that are scheduled to air on the station. Champions Radio is available throughout Suffolk County on 96.9 and 107.1 FM, and online at: ChampionsRadio.com.

Football

Under Head Coach Chuck Priore, the football team opened the season with a resounding 24-0 win over the University of Rhode Island in our first ever conference game as a member of the incredibly competitive Colonial Athletic Conference (CAA). Following a tough 5OT non-conference FBS level loss to the University at Buffalo, the team played two tough games against #22 Villanova University and #2 Towson University. The team entered their Homecoming game against Bryant University eager to get back to their winning ways in front of a sellout crowd.

Two recent alumni are doing well in their professional football careers. Michael Bamiro (*13) was signed to the practice squad for the Philadelphia Eagles. Bamiro’s former teammate Miguel Maysonet (*13) recently signed with the San Diego Chargers practice squad.

Men’s & Women’s Soccer

The women’s soccer team is currently in a tie for first place in the conference and ranked 10th in the NSCAA Northeast Region Poll. The team is looking to defend their conference title and return to the NCAA tournament. Men’s Soccer is currently 4-4 overall and just started playing conference games.

Men’s and Women’s Cross Country

Under veteran head coach Andy Ronan, the defending America East champions recently competed against some of the nation’s top programs at the Coast-to-Coast Battle hosted by Boston College. The women looked particularly solid, notching a pair of individual top-10 results and placing 6th out of 14 teams. The women’s team is currently ranked 8th in the USTFCCCA Northeast Regional Rankings.

Volleyball

Under first year head coach Coley Pawlikowski, the women’s volleyball team is looking to make a run at the conference championship tournament. The team played a challenging non-conference schedule and looks forward to the start of playing conference matches.