



Thursday, October 30, 2025

1:00–2:00 PM

Meeting Minutes

Online, Zoom

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Meeting ID: 99072276989

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1. Call to Order – Michael Boerner.

- a. Michael welcomed the new members.
- b. Michael introduced E-board to the new members.

2. Acceptance of the Agenda

- a. Michael called for a motion to accept. Motion accepted (Bruce K).

3. Approval of Minutes form previous meeting (July 14, 2025) Michael called for a motion to accept the minutes as written. Motion approved (Glen I)

4. Reports of Officers and Representatives

a. PEG Co-Chairs -

1. Michael-(West Campus update) provided a brief recap/update of the status of the development of the professional staff senate.

b. Fall 2025, 201st SUNY University Faculty Senate (10/9-10/11)

1. Michael reported on the UFS meeting that he and Glen attended.
2. Reports from the Chancellor, SUNY-wide initiatives can be reviewed by PEG members. (links shared below)
3. Michael commented that the trickle-down model of information sharing from SUNY-wide governance bodies can prevent information from reaching professionals. This will be ameliorated by the creation of the professional senate providing better information sharing and effective communication between professionals and state-wide entities.

ii. UFS Resolutions can be found [here](#).

1. Michael asks everyone to please review these resolutions and that we consider proposing to endorse [201-05-01: Executive: Defending Shared Governance in Texas](#) at our next meeting (11/20) Michael emphasized that SUNY is in the minority in terms of staff participation in shared governance.

2. Glen reported no updates for east campus and seconded Michael's remarks about the important role of professional staff in shared governance. Glen reported that there are ongoing conversations about the cohort makeup of professionals in the senate and how that should be delineated (UUP only ,other union members, all staff, etc). Glen commented on the perception that this current president appears more open to engaging with the senate, generally and that this could be an opportunity for professionals to have their voices heard.
- iii. Reports can be found:
1. [Chancellor's Report](#) (King)
 2. [Academic Affairs & Research Update](#) (Ramasubramanian/Hartley-Moore/Cantaffa/Scalzo)
 3. [Academic Momentum Campaign & Seamless Transfer](#); [Campaign Overview](#) (Linderman/O'Brien)
 4. [Website & Teams Update](#) (Landa)
- c. Standing Committee Members
1. Michael called for updates.
 2. Mandy shared that there has still been no communication/update/scheduled meeting for campus quality of life committee. Michael responded that he will follow up with Brenda Andersen.
 3. Kerri (LibraryServices Committee) shared that the chair stepped down and the committee has adopted a co-chair model and she was elected as one of the co-shairs.
 4. DEI committee - Rosalia has no updates. There have been no communications and/or meetings scheduled.
 5. In the interest of time Michael called for folks to share any other updates that they might have vis a vis standing committees in an email to Theresa, Michael or Glen, to be shared with the entire board.
- d. UUP
- i. Delegate Assembly (10/24-10/25) -
 1. Bruce K:
 - a. The primary focus of the president's address was on attacks on academic freedom and funding cuts to research as well as cuts in funding to medicare/medicaid and the impacts on SUNY medical centers. Colleagues are sharing concerning impacts here at Stony Brook, despite the relatively stronger position that SUNY SB has over other medical centers.

- b. There was a resolution raised by the Cortland chapter on the Israel/Palestinian conflict which was narrowly defeated.
- c. Negotiations team shared proposals which were approved and will be brought to the state (ideally next month). Emphasis is on alignment with CSEA and PEF and to come in with a contract prior to the 2026 gubernatorial election.
- d. It was very well attended.

5. Special Orders

- a. Michael reported there are no special orders.

6. Unfinished Business

- a. Michael provided a recap of the review and ratification of PSS governance documents:
 - 1. Historical documents reflect that the origin of the PEG board was as a subsidiary of the university senate. We need to make a submission of the Constitution to the University Senate Executive Board and Office of the President for review and comment and once approved would move to ratification via campus-wide vote by all PEG members.
 - 2. Michael notes that bylaws and SOP will only require ratification vote by PEG Board members
- b. Michael shared his screen and led the PEG board through a second readthrough of [Professional Staff Senate governance documents: Constitution, Bylaws, and Standing Operating Procedures](#)
 - 1. Michael identified the distinctions between the three documents. The SOP is the most detailed, intended to guide the PEG through changes in leadership and is also the easiest to amend.
 - 2. Michael explained that the officers would remain the same with the addition of a Parliamentary role.
 - 3. Michael explained the distinctions between the different types of senators: Area, At-Large and Affiliated.
 - 4. Michael reviewed the make-up of the Executive Committee and the justification for the types of roles and lengths and staggering of terms for those roles.
- c. Kerri brought up the roles of part-timers and students. A discussion followed related to the involvement of part-time employees and whether or not there needs to be an FTE threshold. The involvement of students and/or how to address the involvement of people who might have more than one role ie; staff *and* student.
- d. Mandy shared that CEAS is reactivating a CEAS senate that is faculty-only. Tracey interjected that there should be some follow up with the U senate to advocate for

the involvement of professional staff in that shared governance body. Michael confirmed that he would follow up with Brenda.

- e. Michael shared a visual model to clarify the structure of the Professional Staff Senate and the intersection of the proposed senate with the other senate bodies on campus and also how individual roles in each body overlap.
- f. Michael reviewed the proposed Professional Staff Senate Standing Committees.

7. New Business

- a. We did not have time to talk about President Goldsmith's listening tour (from her [SOTU address](#))

8. Announcements - No announcements were made.

9. Adjournment - Michael called for questions but there were none. Meeting adjourned.

Helpful links:

(Current) PEG Bylaws: <https://www.stonybrook.edu/commcms/pegboard/bylaws.php>

(Current) PEG Constitution:

<https://www.stonybrook.edu/commcms/pegboard/constitution.php>

(Current) PEG Membership:

<https://www.stonybrook.edu/commcms/pegboard/Membership.php>

In Attendance:

Theresa Spadola

Victor Santiago

Lisa Lent

Diane Bello

Rachel Conti

Faith Matranga

Linda Thiele

Keri Hollander

Alissa Betz

Michael Boerner

Wesam Hassanin

Tracy Robinson

Amy Prokop

Kaitlin Giglio

Amanda Flanagan

Jennifer Rodriguez

Melissa J. Woody

Catherine Gropper

Steven Wong

James Ambrose

Jacqueline Donnelly

Christine Griffiths

Glen Itzkowitz

Bruce Kube

Rosalia Davi

Chris Bill

Erica Hackley

Odalys Hernandez

Tracey Iorio

Scott Campbell

Lakshmi

Ramsoondar-Ahmad

Sarah Battaglia