Arts & Sciences Senate Meeting Minutes
March 21, 2022
3:30PM - 5:00PM
Virtual Meeting

- Call To Order at 3:30pm.
- Acceptance of the Agenda
  The motion to accept the agenda is carried.

- Approval of February 14, 2022 Meeting Minutes
  The approval of the minutes is carried.

- Opening Remarks & Welcome (J. Torre):
  - We are going through Senate files and documents before the University Senate moves to the new location in Wang center. We are archiving documents to become accessible online.

- Revised FRRPC Resolution (F. Walter, Chair):
  - Presented the revised resolution as requested at the previous Senate meeting. In order to maximize participation, departments are encouraged to offer all otherwise in-person departmental faculty meetings and colloquia/seminars in hybrid mode, with remote accessibility via Zoom or equivalent.
  - The resolution was amended and approved.
  - Poll: 75% Accepted.

- Report of the Committee on Academic Standing and Appeals (R. Klein, Chair):
  - Postponed to the next meeting as R. Klien couldn't attend the meeting.

- Academic Freedom Resolution (K. Lindblom):
  - Addressed the restricted academic freedom in secondary and primary schools. The relevance was stated as feeding those same biases into institutions of higher education.
  - Presented a resolution resembling a resolution from the University of Texas at Austin.
  - J. Sanders offered an amendment to include a sentence to include K-12 libraries and schools.
  - Resolution amended and approved.
  - Poll: 69% Accepted.
2022 Proposed Promotion & Tenure Guidelines Revision (1st Reading) presented by J. Torre:
- Explained the proposed changes made on the guidelines (1st reading) and received feedback from senators.
- A document will be sent to all members for an open comment period and comments will be considered and incorporated as appropriate for the 2nd reading at the next (April) meeting.
- There will be a 3rd reading at the May meeting.
- The Provost’s office will simultaneously be providing their suggestions.

Old Business: No old business.

New Business:
- Colvin Center to host teach-in about war in Ukraine (J. Sanders):
  - A panel of experts will come together to discuss the war in Ukraine with the Stony Brook University community.
  - We’re having a teach-in during campus lifetime on Wednesday from 1pm to 2:30pm in Frey Hall, Room 100.
  - The teach-in is sponsored by the Colvin Center for International Reporting at the School of Communication and Journalism.

- 2022 Spring Elections (J. Torre):
  - Guidelines
  - PEG Election Announcement
  - A&S Open seats - Committee Members
  - A&S Open seats - Senators At-Large
  - A&S Officers - VP/P
    - We are opening nominations for the A&S Senate, as well as the University Senate and PEG Board.
    - Sitting members of A&S Senate Committees & PEG Board are both automatically nominated by the President, or PEG Board Chairs unless you opt out.
    - Made an open call for Vice-President/President Elect. If anyone is interested should contact J. Torre.
• Adjournment at 5:10pm