I. A motion to approve the agenda was carried.

II. An approval of December minutes was deferred until the next meeting.

III. **President’s Report** (N. Tomes)

   ♦ N. Tomes provided an update of her vision for the University Senate. This included her three prong plan of *Strengthening our core, Improving our outreach, and developing and promoting our own agenda*. She thanked the administrative leadership and gave a shout out to Justas and Camilo. She described a very thoughtful email she received from several senators (Nerissa Balce, Katy Fallon, Liz Montegary and Teri Tiso) with suggestions about how to strengthen faculty governance at SBU. To honor one of their requests, N. Tomes had the Executive Committee introduce themselves as a “good way of reminding everyone (including other senators and the administration) that faculty governance happens through collective, cooperative work.” Tomes said she will continue in coming meetings to explain what the Senate is and what they are doing to aid new members, and to work with Senate members to enhance communications.

IV. **Discussion with University President** (S. Stanley). In addition to his written report, Dr. Stanley noted the following:

   ◆ Several transitions have occurred. Dr. Richard Gatteau was named Vice President for Student Affairs and Dean of Students in January 2019, after serving as Interim Vice President and Dean of Students since January 2018. He had been serving as Stony Brook University’s Associate Provost for Academic Success and currently serves as the Faculty Director of the Higher Education Administration program. Provost Michael Bernstein is stepping down. A search committee is being formed that will be co-chaired by Dr. David Ferguson and Dr. Esther Takeuchi, and we have begun looking for a firm to assist with finding outstanding candidates for this vital position. Dr. Yacov Shamash has decided, after more than 18 years in the role, to step down as Vice President for Economic Development, and return to teaching as a tenured professor in the College of Engineering and Applied Sciences. Moving forward, and in alignment with our distinctive strengths and strategic initiatives, the Office of Economic Development will be consolidated within the Office of Research, effective April 1, 2019.

   ◆ The proposed State Budget provides funding for one year of the retroactive pay for 16/17.

   ◆ Chancellor launched a program called **PRODI-G: Promoting Recruitment, Opportunity, Diversity, Inclusion, and Growth**. PRODI-G will be led by Senior Vice Chancellor for Strategic Initiatives Teresa Miller and will help our campuses recruit and retain **1000** early- to mid-career professors from under-represented groups by 2030, with salary support in the first three years of a PRODI-G faculty appointment.

   ◆ Other budget highlights discussed included the funding for the hospital, SUNY 2020 grant funding, and the DSH cap. That Governor Cuomo proposes to raise to allow a full reimbursement of the care that we have already given to the un and under-insured patients.
V. **Discussion with the Provost** (M. Bernstein). Several updates on current searches were discussed with respect to a Provost for SUNY Korea, Dean of Library, Graduate School, Journalism, and SPD. The accreditation process for 2024 has begun. A listening tour will be done and recommendations from 2014 are being looked into. Mid-year condition reports are being done.

VI. **Discussion with Vice President for HSC** (K. Kaurshansky). The SON Dean has four candidates. He met with Dean for SHTM search committee and a job description was formulated by the faculty. SOM passed one million patient encounters. He noted the challenges facing the School of Dental Medicine. A merger of the Dept of Rehabilitation Medicine into Dept of Orthopedics was brought before the Senate and all were in favor.

VII. Report of SBU Delegation to SUNY University Faculty Senate Winter Plenary. Fred Walter, Pamela Wolfskill and Susan Glodstein attended.

   a. Resolutions adopted:

      i. **To Change Length of Service for Distinguished Professorships** “Candidates for all four Distinguished Professorship Ranks must have held the rank of Professor or Librarian for at least five years (including time in rank at non-SUNY institutions) and must have at least three years of full-time service at the nominating institution."

      ii. **New Deal for SUNY and CUNY**

          **THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** that the SUNY University Faculty Senate thanks all members of the New York State Legislature … and urges them to send a veto-proof enhanced MOE bill to the Governor within the first 100 days of the new session; and

          **FURTHER BE IT RESOLVED** that the SUNY University Faculty Senate calls on all friends of SUNY to contact Governor Cuomo before March 15, 2019 … and … urge him … to strike a new deal for SUNY and CUNY by agreeing to incorporate enhanced MOE provisions into an Enacted Budget that truly supports and advances our core academic missions; and

          **FURTHER BE IT RESOLVED** that the SUNY University Faculty Senate thanks … for their steadfast commitment to sustainable and equitable funding for public higher educaCon in New York and requests that they … urge members of the New York State Legislature and Governor Cuomo to strike a new deal for SUNY and CUNY by incorporaCng enhanced MOE provisions into an Enacted Budget that truly supports and advances our core academic missions; and

          **FINALLY BE IT RESOLVED** that the SUNY University Faculty Senate calls on all Senators to share this resoluCon with their campus governance bodies and work with their Campus Governance Leader and others to pass campus governance body resoluCons aligned with ours …

   b. Resolutions not adopted was the creation of a SUNY Office of Ombuds Services and Graduate DACA Scholarships.


VIII. **Report from Paula Di Pasquale-Alvarez, Administrative Review Committee**: A presentation on what the Senate survey tells us about the respondents, scores, comment analysis, evaluation of deans, areas of concern, and future plans for the Senate Survey report was given.

IX. Old Business: Announcement to hold the date for March 28 “Contact Sports and Traumatic Brain Injuries,” Presented by Stony Brook University Neurosciences Institute and Stony Brook Program in Public Health.
X. New Business: USC Report on Black Students at Public Universities. J. Sanders questioned the “F” on Stony Brook’s standings. S. Stanley stated PRODI-G will help but we need to do better. One issue raised in the discussion was the perception that this part of Long Island was not always welcoming to students of color.

Meeting adjourned at 5:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Pamela Wolfskill –University Senate Secretary/Treasurer

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