

University Senate Meeting Minutes

November 6, 2023, 3:30-5:00 PM (Hybrid Meeting – Wang Center Lecture Hall & Zoom Meeting)

Meeting called to order by Dr. Richard Larson, the University Senate President, at 3:30 PM. Meeting recording can be viewed [here](#). A motion to approve the agenda and the minutes from October 2, 2023 carried.

Greetings from Richard Larson, University Senate President

- Welcomed everyone to the November 2023 Senate meeting.
- Senators Brenda Anderson and Laszlo Mihaly have both been nominated as candidates to stand for election as President of the University Senate. The nominations will remain open for an additional 10 days, and the election will take place during the December University Senate meeting.

Introduction of Dr. Wertheim, Interim EVPHS

- Introduced himself as Interim EVPHS.
- Briefly discussed his responsibilities.

COACHE Faculty Satisfaction Survey Results, Braden Hosh

- We have to keep the presentation behind the University firewall. For anyone with a Stony Brook NetID, the presentation is accessible at the following link: <https://www.stonybrook.edu/commcms/provost/faculty/coache/summary>
- The main page of the COACHE materials is: <https://www.stonybrook.edu/commcms/provost/faculty/coache/>
- Briefly discussed details of COACHE Faculty Satisfaction Survey Results.

Report from President Maurie McInnis

- Full written report can be viewed [here](#).
- Barry Barish Awarded National Medal of Science.
- Professor Stephanie Dinkins Named a TIME 100 AI Innovator.
- The first annual Stony Awards will be held on November 29, 2023 at 5:30pm at Flowerfields. This will be an evening of celebration and recognition as we gather to honor and announce our award recipients for the inaugural awards.
- Discussed the emotional responses regarding Palestine-Israel situation.

Report from Provost, Carl Lejuez

- Full written report can be viewed [here](#).
- Continued discussion about classes time vectors.
- The first cohort of Stony Brook Institute at Anhui University students (approximately 47) started their studies at SBU this fall.
- Announced passing of Tom McCarthy, AMS faculty member.

Reports from UUP

- B. Kube - East campus President: and A. Solar-Greco – West Campus President:
 - Delivered a message from UUP President Fred Kowal about UUP's vow to fight for and defend the financially troubled campuses such as Potsdam.
 - This year UUP was able to secure 163 million dollars in new state funding, working with the Governor and a legislature that understands the value and necessity of providing a properly funded world class public university system for all New Yorkers. This fund will be used to erase the deficits of our financially troubled campuses.

Old Business:

Report from Amy Cook, Promotion Tenure Guidelines Committee

- Mentioned promotion and tenure is crucial for rewarding excellence and building community in a process that's intentional, equitable, fair, and consistent.
- Explained there should be a clear cycle for promotion and tenure and it is a challenge to try to generate clarity and consistency.
- Discussed about promotion and tenure calendar, letters, and hosting promotion and tenure workshops.
- President and Provost will host the first annual Stony Brook University celebration of newly tenured and promoted faculty on September 30, 2024.

New Business:

- UFS Resolution 194-01-1 “Condemn Abusive Workplace Behavior...”:
 - Richard Stein presented the resolution.
 - Members endorsed the resolution. Vote: 69% endorsed.

Meeting adjourned at 5:20 PM.