

MINUTES

Of the

Stony Brook University

Arts & Sciences Senate

12 February 2020

For Approval by EC

Call to Order

1. Alan will chair meeting today due to Peter Khost's absence.
2. Tracey Iorio was appointed acting secretary for this meeting
3. Agenda was approved
4. There are no minutes to approve currently due to that fact we have no secretary. Need to have an interim. Elections will be held in the fall.
5. Review EC membership – Thank them for their area of governance
6. Elections/Vacant Positions – Faculty Senators at Large
7. Peter Khost will go on a speaking tour to the departments in regard to issues and information

Reports:

8. Reuben Kline, CAS, Chair Academic Standing and Appeals - discussed the types of appeals presented, 80-% of the appeals are granted. Spring 2020 – 30 appeals, fall 2019 – 28 appeals, 22 approved.
9. Camillo Rubbino, GSO - he is the GSO governance representative, Graduate student fee is used for organizing social and culture events, Lead VIS, legal and tax clinics, encourage students to submit proposals for speakers, provide funding for travel reimbursements, depts need to have GSO representation so the grad student can qualify for funding. G5 students do not benefit from the services of the grad fee, perception/feeling is that they are being taxed for doing their jobs, hoping for a new model that recognizes the diversity of the graduate student population, the union is conducting an independent activity to assist with this issue. Advocate at both the state and federal level for funding and particularly initiatives for Environmental Studies. We would like the faculty to be involved in the GSO organization.
10. Tracey Iorio, PEG Board – spoke about upcoming nominations and elections process, Resolution for Professional Staff Involvement and Governance.
11. Justin Ullman – USG representative. Priorities – Fall. Working on structural changes to the organization with legal counsel. Founded in 2005 – major changes were resolved through process; some smaller issues remain. Issues were neglected for 14 years. Some officers have been involved for several years, that they decided to go head make changes to the constitution. Shortened from 30 pages. Removed redundancies, removed a branch of the USG government – judiciary – paid office, not enough oversight, a lot of unchecked power. Not cost efficient to maintain this branch of the USG. Spring 2020 – 29 students involved in governance. Would like more participation from the USG.
12. Fred Walter – FRRPC. Committee has met 3 times. Expanded committee from 7 to 9 members. Kept the # odd so there are no tie votes. Text policy – conflict of interest. No SUNY policy and there is no SBU policy. Some universities do have a textbook policy. Norm Goodman commented that there was a policy under Shirley Kenny. Resolution 1901 – Tenure track faculty. Open for debate; comments from AD, KL – 2nd remove “non academic”. Comments from NG,

AD, FW. Any further discussion- Vote 20 Yes 0 No 0 Abstain Vote to change the word to “at the time”.

13. Ken Lindblom – Online education – UUP advisory committee, seeking and gathering information, discuss the prevents of online education, all should have a background in pedagogy, there are fully online SUNY programs, \$ maker, 7 subcommittee members, Exploring campus/program needs , campus resources, employment issues, training/implementation, student support. Discussion and comments from several members.
14. CAS revenue responsibilities - NG raised this issue. Discussion ensued.
15. Old Business – none
16. New Business – none

Submitted 3/12/2020, T. Iorio, scribe