

*The meeting was called to order at 3:06 pm with a reading of the Land Acknowledgement Statement*

**I. Approval of Agenda**

The agenda was approved.

**II. Approval of November 7, 2022 Minutes**

The minutes were approved as distributed.

**III. FA Chair's Report – Liz Schmitt**

**In Memoriam: Scott Roby, Emeritus Professor of Physics and Astronomy**

By now you have read the campus notice last week on the passing of Scott Roby, Emeritus Professor of Physics. That notice does a beautiful job of conveying how his passion for astronomy and service to the planetarium inspired generations of students and members of the community, making the mysteries of space a little less mysterious.

So let me tell you a couple of things you may not know. Scott had great taste in music. One of my earliest memories of Scott is teaching next door to him in Lanigan and hearing the sounds of Rush to greet his students. That Fall semester is marked for me by the simple pleasure of rocking it out a few minutes before class.

On FA for many years, Scott was a fixture. He did not always have something to say, but when he did, it was to your advantage to listen. In a discussion of a free speech zone at the West campus sundial, over 10 ten years ago, one colleague asserted the need to restrict speakers in the space, "Can't we have freedom of speech without hate speech?" Scott turned and replied, "Sure, just change the part where is says 'free.'"

In the end, I remember him as a remarkably kind and wise man, who left this world a better place for being in it. Inspired by his no-nonsense example, I leave you with these Rush lyrics:

"In the whole wide world there's no magic place, so you might as well rise and put on your bravest face".

**Review of Academic Officers**

Election email sent to voting faculty on 11/21, due 12/9

**Brightspace and Mini-workshops**

The instructional designers are planning for Winter Breakout with workshops focused on specific parts of Brightspace, like the gradebook, quiz settings, etc.

**Blackboard Going Away!**

Download courses, download grade spreadsheets, download evaluations; 12/9/2022

**AEFIS Course evaluations**

If your department is using AEFIS, these deployed on 11/14 and close 12/2. You can go to [aefis.oswego.edu](http://aefis.oswego.edu) and log in to check your response rate thus far. To increase your response rate, consider offering class time to complete and/or to make a personal appeal.

**Winter is coming**

With Winter upon us, consider having the discussion in your department about how to best handle weather cancellations. I also strongly recommend some syllabus language about communication of cancellations. An administrative assistant may not be available to handle this for you.

If classes are canceled on an FA day, then FA meets via Zoom only.

**New Programs and Program Revisions**

Ideally, these should be submitted through Curriculog by 3/1. If you wait until April, it may not get done.

For new programs, please consult with the library prior to submission.

**Spring Semester Meeting Schedule**

Posted on the FA website, tentatively Lanigan 106

First meeting, 1/30; General Faculty meetings on 2/13 and 5/1

**Guest presentations:**

- 11/28 Facilities
- Spring semester: Library, Student Conduct, ?

**IV. Reports of Councils, Committees, and Task Forces****• Graduate Council Report – Isabelle Bichindaritz**

Graduate Council met on November 10, 2022 and on November 17, 2022.

1) We approved with minor revisions the following courses for the Health Promotion and Behavioral Wellness MS:

HSC - 502 - Innovative Wellness Leadership

HSC - 520 - Theoretical Foundations of Health Promotion

HSC - 521 - Advanced Health Promotion Programming Approaches

HSC - 530 - Cultural Awareness in Health and Wellness

HSC - 562 - The Science and Application of Positive Health Coaching

HSC - 587 - Refugee Wellness

HSC - 590 - Special Topics

HSC - 594 - Research Practicum

2) We approved a change to the combined enrolment policy to allow up to 9 credits of Oswego's graduate courses taken by an undergraduate student to transfer to a graduate program instead of 6 to be consistent with the number of credits allowed to transfer from outside institutions.

3) We approved MBA 635 Data Analytics for Leaders with minor revisions.

Next meeting, and last meeting for this semester, will be on December 1st, 2022

- **Academic Policies Council – Eve Clark** – No report this meeting, next meeting is 12/2/22
  
- **General Education Council – Chris LaLonde**  
At its most recent, 9 November, the General Education Council approved the following courses:  
PHL 235 History of Ancient Philosophy for inclusion the World Awareness category--effective fall 2023  
POL 205 American History and Politics for inclusion in the U.S. History category--effective fall 2023  
POL 306 African American Political Thought for inclusion in the Diversity, Identity, and Social Justice in the United States category--effective spring 2023  
  
The Council continues to work on what it would mean to include a required First-Year Seminar (FYS) in our gen ed program. The group meets next on 30 November.
  
- **Undergraduate Curriculum Council- Jeremy Shifton** – No report this meeting
  
- **Priorities and Planning Committee – Rick Back** – No report this meeting
  
- **Personnel Policies Council – Jeff Schneider**  
Please vote!
  
- **Research Council – Dave Sargent** – No report this meeting
  
- **Information Technology Council – Zheng Hao** – No report this meeting
  
- **Campus Concept Committee – Liz Schmitt**  
Focused on the planning of the Lanigan/Penfield connector. Mahar planning is underway.
  
- **UUP – Steve Abraham** – No report this meeting

**V. Action Items:**

**BFA Fine Arts – Revision Approved**

**Photography Minor – Revision Approved**

**BFA Graphic Design – Revision Approved**

**BFA Interaction Design – Revision Approved**

**BA Art – Revision Approved**

**Actuarial Studies Minor – New Program Approved**

**VI. Facilities Update – Mitch Fields**

Mitch presented an overview of campus construction activities as well as the campuswide energy

plan. His [complete presentation](#) is available on the FA website.

**VII. New Business**

No new business this meeting.

**Reminder of vacancies:**

**FA**

**FA Rep OPEN**

**Priorities and Planning**

**School of Ed OPEN**

**Undergrad Curriculum**

**CLAS Humanities OPEN**

*The meeting was adjourned at 4:11 pm PM*

The next meeting will be **January 30<sup>th</sup> 2023 at 3:00 pm in 106 Lanigan**. The [Spring Schedule](#) is available on the FA website.

See you next year!