

*The meeting was called to order at 3:04 pm with a reading of the Land Acknowledgement Statement*

**I. Approval of Agenda**

The agenda was approved.

**II. Approval of January 30, 2023 Minutes**

The minutes were approved as distributed.

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

**In Memory Of Walter Roettger**

I wish to acknowledge the passing of Walter Roettger, Interim Provost at SUNY Oswego from 2016 to 2017. Walter had a long work history in higher education, including the presidency at Lyon College in Arkansas from 1998-2009, where he brought the institution forward in technology, a state-of-the-art science building and a first-time appearance at a best liberal arts college in the U.S. News rankings. He came to our campus in April of 2016 as interim provost from a firm ominously named “The Registry.” The circumstances surrounding the need for an interim provost had left a trail of division and hurt and mistrust, but Walter stepped into this role as a listener, bringing a body of higher education experience to practical solutions. At the final meeting of Faculty Assembly in May 2017, we honored Walter with a commendation read from the floor:

“ [We] would then commend Dr. Walter Roettger for his dedication to this college on the shores of the Great Lakes. Not only in keeping the ship moving forward, but helping us navigate the shoals, and moving us farther than we might have imagined.”

**In Memory of Richard Izzett**

Richard Izzett, Emeritus Professor of Psychology, passed away last week. Richard joined the Oswego faculty in 1969. With a field in social psychology, Richard published in the area of jury decision-making, consulting in trial strategy and jury selection, and also served as an NSF grant reviewer. In 1995 when I joined the Oswego faculty, my office was right next to the psychologists, and I along with others, remember his graciousness with his time to younger faculty, how warm and welcoming he was. He was a collector of optical illusions and would often test them out on me before using them in class. In the post-Oswego chapter of his life he was a doting grandpa, really rejoicing in one of the great perks of aging. No obituary can do justice to his voice, that was, according to an envious Stephen Wurst, like an FM radio DJ. His colleague, Dave Bozak noted that he, “was one of the good guys and a fine teacher, very concerned with his students' success.”

**Ad Hoc Committee on the Handbook**

See the handout with the charge and composition of the committee. I am looking for two additional members: A faculty member outside of CLAS and a member of the professional staff from student affairs. In the meantime, consider taking this issue back to your department about what items should be in this handbook—what policies are unclear or hard to track down?

**Resolution to Endorse a Task Force on Haudenosaunee Naming**

Another handout will go for a vote on 2/27. This vote would endorse a Task Force. I will work with administration and others to develop a charge and composition of this Task Force, which then would go to FA for approval.

**Presidential Search Timeline**

February 2023: Committee interviews with 8-12 finalists; Selection of 5 finalists for campus visits

**New Programs and Courses**

Curriculog by 3/1 for programs

UCC also goes through curriculog: [Oswego.curriculog.com](http://Oswego.curriculog.com)

**Guest presentations:**

- 2/27: Library
- 3/20: Accessibility and Design Issues

**IV. Reports of Councils, Committees, and Task Forces**

• **Graduate Council Report – Isabelle Bichindaritz**

Graduate Council met on February, 6 2023. We discussed the academic standing process of graduate students, which is different from that of undergraduate students. We also discussed the need for new graduate programs to contact the Library and discuss needed library resources from the early stages of program development. A form will be used to track library resources before a graduate program can be approved. Our next meeting will be on February 20, 2023.

• **Academic Policies Council – Eve Clark**

APC met on Friday, February 3. We continued to debate the need and wording for a double dipping policy for the catalog. We approved an amended Hy-Flex policy which will come to floor if approved by Priorities and Planning. We approved the below changes to the CSS Elective list. We reviewed additions to the NAS elective list but are waiting for final approval for courses. We will meet this Friday, March. 3, at 3:00pm due to conflict with the Presidential search.

New List of Approved CSS Electives:

- ART 243, Intro to Digital Photography
- BRC 428, Scriptwriting for Television
- COM 375, Rhetoric of Film
- CRW 401, Screenwriting: Advanced
- CSS 111, First-Year Film Practicum
- CSS 123, Planetary Cinema
- CSS 288, Film and Philosophy
- CSS 333, Critics and Criticism
- CSS 336, Cinematography

- CSS 337, Motion Picture Editing
- CSS 340, Writing the Short Film
- CSS 360, Studies in National Cinemas (May be repeated for total of 6 credits)
- CSS 368, Little Theatres, Little Cinemas
- CSS 383, Video Game Narratives
- CSS 385, Children's Literature and Film
- CSS 389, Creative Nonfiction Filmmaking
- CSS 391, Film Practicum
- CSS 392, Indigenous Cinemas
- CSS 395, Special Topics
- CSS 423, Black American Cinema
- CSS 435, Motion Picture Directing
- CSS 437, Cinema and the Environment
- CSS 485, Experimental Filmmaking
- CSS 487, Advanced Studies in Film Theory
- CSS 488, Auteur Studies
- CSS 489, Women and Screen Studies
- CSS 491, Location-Based Filmmaking

- **General Education Council – Chris LaLonde**

At its 1 February meeting the General Education Council approved the motion to remove the Western Civilization category from General Education, effective fall 2023.

The Council also approved the motion to add a required three-credit First-Year Signature Seminar and one-credit extended introduction to Oswego and university to General Education, effective fall 2024.

The Council is fine-tuning models of what our General Education might look like with the addition of the First-Year Signature Seminar and one-credit extended introduction. I hope and expect that will be completed at our 15 February meeting.

- **Undergraduate Curriculum Council- Jeremy Shifton**

UCC approved courses 2/13/2023

- ANT 304
- BRC 240
- DNC 208
- HIS 495
- MKT 420
- POL 203
- PSY 280
- PSY 290
- PSY 424

UCC separately approved changes to the following ENG courses changing prefixes to CSS

- ENG 286 to CSS 210

- ENG 386
- ENG 388
- ENG 390
- ENG 486 to CSS 410
- ENG 489

- **Priorities and Planning Committee – Rick Back** – No report this meeting
- **Personnel Policies Council – Jeff Schneider**  
PPC met Monday February 6 and discussed the President's Awards for Service for Faculty and Professional Staff, as well as term limits for Chair and Vice Chair of FA. We also continued our discussion regarding voting rights of VAPs
- **Research Council – Dave Sargent** – No report this meeting
- **Information Technology Council – Zheng Hao** – No report this meeting
- **Campus Concept Committee – Liz Schmitt**  
Campus Concept met on 2/8.  
We received an update on the HERF III monies used to improve student spaces. Mitch Fields gave a quick update on Hewitt and Mahar and mentioned some projects for the summer. The working group gave some recommendations on lactation/personal care rooms. Talk turned to maintenance issues and communication plans. There is a communication problem that is not a function of the staffing on the age of the physical plant. There is a system in place of "Sustainability Ambassadors" that are also building coordinators in all buildings. This should be better communicated. Finally we discussed the implications of the GENDA Act, on updating bathroom signage. This will be a continued topic of discussion.
- **UUP – Steve Abraham**  
Negotiations Update  
Not much news  
Possible Spring Picketing

Chapter Elections

Chapter & Affiliate Convention nominations close:	February 17
Chapter Nomination Lists posted to web:	February 22
Mail chapter elections ballots:	March 14-16
Chapter elections ballots due:	March 21
Count Chapter Elections ballots:	April 24-28

Spring Events

- February 16 – Virtual Academics Workshop
- March 2 - Membership Meeting 12:00 – 2:00
- March 7 – Oswego Workload Workshop 12:30 – 2:00
- March 21 –Workload Workshop at UMU 11:30 - 1:00
- April 11 – Academic Workshop 12:40 - 1:40

April ? – Chapter Meeting (off campus?)

**V. Action:**

New Program: MS Health Promotion and Behavioral Wellness - Approved

Program Revision: MBA Healthcare Administration – Approved

Priorities and Planning Election

School of Ed: Minjung Seo

**VI. Academic Affairs Q & A**

The Provost clarified the position of Accessibility Resources in Student Affairs.

**VII. New Business**

No new business this meeting.

**Vacancies:**

**FA**

**FA Rep OPEN**

**Undergrad Curriculum**

**CLAS Humanities OPEN**

*The meeting was adjourned at 3:47 PM*

**The next meeting will be February 27, 2023 at 3:00 in 106 Lanigan.**

The [Spring Schedule](#) is available on the FA website.