Faculty Assembly Minutes **September 11, 2023**
Chair: Elizabeth Schmitt **Recorder: Lisa Teters**

The meeting was called to order at 3:05 pm with a reading of the Land Acknowledgement Statement

I. Approval of Agenda

The agenda was approved.

II. Approval of August 28, 2023 Minutes

The minutes were approved as distributed.

III. FA Chair's Report – Liz Schmitt

In Memoriam: Karen Nicholas

I would like to thank Lyn Blanchfield, Zachary Vickery and Erik Wade for preparing this remembrance.

Karen Nicholas, emeritus Professor in History, passed away late last year. Karen retired from SUNY Oswego in 2015, after 30 years of service. She was passionate about reading, modern and ancient languages, music, travel, and extending her time. In her three-plus decades in the Oswego community, she was awarded a National Endowment for the Humanities research grant, accompanied students on interactive experiences to historical sites across the country, and directed the minor in Medieval and Renaissance Studies. Her classes–covering over two thousand years of history from the ancient Greeks to the Renaissance–showcased her wide-ranging interests and skills, including art, musical performance (she often sang medieval hymns to her students), and the lives of marginalized people in the past. Her service to the university was best seen through Quest as both committee member and Director. Karen's impact on student learning and engagement continues to be seen nearly a decade after retirement. One student remembered her fondly and spoke of her creative assignments for the history capstone, while other former students have expressed how she shaped their lives and careers. In retirement, she supported many local charities and the arts, including Schola Contorum and the Syracuse Symphony, now called Symphoria. In one of many final acts of generosity, Karen bequeathed her personal collection of books to Penfield Library, which demonstrated her personal impact on future students.

Listserv

Lisa Teters and I have updated the listserv with new members of FA, including alternates. Please let one of us know if you are not getting assembly-list messages or wish to be removed. Also I am happy to add anyone not elected to FA, but wishing to receive notices.

Library Collection Review Project

The campus first received email about this ongoing project back in March. You can read more about it at libraryguides.oswego.edu/collectionreview. If you have questions or concerns please reach out to Sarah Weisman or Kathyrn Johns-Masten.

College or School: What's in a name?

Oswego is now a university, not a college. The President and Provost wish to have a working group make recommendations on whether academic units should all go by "College" or remain a combination of "College" and "Schools." Anyone interested in serving on an ad hoc committee on this issue please reach out to me.

Flags of Nations
We have a policy on the display of national flags in MCC. In general, they include flags representing students enrolled since 2017. We include

- Flags of countries representing students who require a visa to enroll.
- Flags of countries representing students from US territories and protectorates (e.g. Puerto Rico, US Virgin Islands, Guam, American Samoa, etc.).
- Flags representing students of sovereign territories located within North America (i.e. First Nations, Native American, American Indian, or Indigenous Nations).

Other requests will be considered from students, current faculty and staff members.
You can find out more at https://ww1.oswego.edu/flags-nations

Guest presentations:

- 9/25: Accessibility and Course Materials – Sean Moriarty and Rebecca Mushtare
- October: Academic Affairs and Enrollment Management

IV. Reports of Councils, Committees, and Task Forces

- **Graduate Council Report – Isabelle Bichindaritz**
  Graduate Council met on September 8. Dr. Najah Zaaeed is continuing as Chair. We plan this year to add material to the Web-site about graduate programs and courses

- **Academic Policies Council – Eve Clark** – No report this meeting

- **General Education Council – Chris LaLonde**
  The General Education approved NAS 350 Contemporary Native America for inclusion in the Diversity, Identity, and Social Justice in the United States category and PSY 481 Neurodiversity as a writing to learn depth course in the Psychology writing plan.

- **Undergraduate Curriculum Council- Liz Schmitt for Sarah Hanusch**

- **Priorities and Planning Committee – Rick Back**– No report this meeting

- **Personnel Policies Council – Jeff Schneider** – No report this meeting

- **Research Council – Dave Sargent** – No report this meeting

- **Information Technology Council – Ashlee Moore** – No report this meeting

- **Campus Concept Committee – Liz Schmitt** – No report this meeting

- **UUP – Frank Byrne**
  1. Our chapter will be holding a Fall Social on Friday, Sept. 22 from 4:00-7:00pm at Bridie Manor. Please RSVP to uup@oswego.edu.

  2. The across the board raises in our new contract (5% for those who started by 2022) will now apparently be in our paychecks in either late November or early December at the latest.

  3. The automatic $400 DSI will be implemented in December as well.

  4. The deadline for the Nuala McGann Drescher leave Award is November 1. This would be for spring leaves.

  5. Information for Individual Development Awards will be rolling out soon. For those of you who do not know, IDAs are designed to support a variety of professional development projects or activities, assisting eligible employees in developing their full professional potential and to prepare for advancement. Campus Professional Development Committees, comprised of chapter UUP members and management representatives, are formed to review applications and award funding. Funding is available to full- and part-time bargaining unit members. Maximum award amount is *$2,000* per employee per award period. The $2,000 is an increase that was bargained and returns us to the amount during Covid.

  6. Speaking of IDA,s, we are looking for volunteers to join our chapter IDA Committee to help choose what applications merit awards. This committee is led by an experienced group of UUP members and is a good way to learn what our members are doing professionally. I need to submit a list of members to UUP statewide by the end of the week so I need to know ASAP if you are interested. Email me at frank.byrne@oswego.edu to let me know.

  7. The Fall UUP Delegate Assembly is meeting in Rochester from October 12-14.

  8. UUP IP Questions Material – overview. UUP IP Materials and UUP IP Questions can be found on the FA website

V. Council Elections

Personnel Policies Council
FA seat: Rebecca Peters
At Large: Krystal Kennel

Priorities and Planning Council
School of Ed.: Carol Willard

Undergraduate Curriculum Council
CLAS Humanities: Mary McCune
CLAS Soc./Behav.: Mamta Saxena
*Penfield Library change: Laura Harris will replace Michelle Bishop for the semester.

Research Council
CLAS Humanities: OPEN

VI. Action: FA Resolution 202309-1 Revision to Spring 24 Calendar for the Total Solar Eclipse
For: 91% Against: 9% Abstain: 0 Resolution **PASSED**

In the discussion of this resolution, the Political Science Department offered the following statement: "We enthusiastically welcome the Calendar Committee's reflection on the importance of schedule changes to recognize impactful events such as these, and we greatly look forward to the Committee's future discussion of cancelling classes on national election days."

VII. **New Business**
No new business this meeting

The meeting was adjourned at 3:40 PM

The next meeting is September 25th
The Fall 2023 schedule is available on the FA website

Vacancies Recap:

Research Council
CLAS Humanities: OPEN

32 present

4 zoomers

Faculty Assembly Attendance September 11, 2023

Accounting, Finance and Law

Graig Arcuri		22 - 24	Zoom
	ALT	21 - 23	

Administration

Administration			
Laura Spenceley		23 - 25	
Vicki Furlong		23 - 25	
Kristen Eichhorn	ALT	23 - 25	
Sarah Weisman	ALT	23 - 25	

Anthropology

Rebecca Peters		21 - 23	
	ALT	21 - 23	

Art & Design

Peter Cardone		22 - 24	P.C.
Cynthia Clabough	ALT	23 - 25	

Atmospheric & Geological Studies

Yonggang Wang		21 - 23	Y.W.
Steve Skubis	ALT	21 - 23	

Biological Sciences

Eric Hellquist		23 - 25	
Karen Sime		22 - 24	KLS
Jim MacKenzie	ALT	22 - 24	

Chemistry

Julia Koeppe		23 - 25	
Jeffery Schneider	ALT	22 - 24	

Cinema and Screen Studies

Josh Adams ?		22 - 24	
Chris Lalonde	ALT	23 - 25	

Communication Studies

Jennifer Fogel		22 - 24	
Andrea Vickery		23 - 26	
Taejin Jung	ALT	22 - 24	
Serenity Sutherland,/Jas	ALT	23 - 26	

Computer Science

James Early		22 - 24	
Doug Lea	ALT	22 - 24	

Counseling and Psychological Services

Sean Finnerty		23 - 24	Zoom
	ALT	22 - 24	

Criminal Justice

Matthew McLeskey		23 - 25	
	ALT	22 - 24	

Curriculum & Instruction

Joanne O'Toole		23 - 24	
Eric Olson ?		21 - 23	
Carol Willard	ALT Fall	22 - 24	
Bonita Hampton	ALT Spring	22 - 24	

Economics

Mihai Paraschiv		22 - 24	Absent
David Andrews	ALT	21 - 23	

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Electrical & Computer Engineering

Sungeun Kim		23 - 24	
Adrian Ieta	ALT	23 - 24	

English and Creative Writing

Laura Donnelly		22 - 24	LD
Sari Fordham	ALT	22 - 24	

Health Promotion & Wellness

Jessical Harris		23 - 25	
Amy Bidwell	ALT	23 - 25	

History

Frank Byrne		23 - 25	FB
Leo Hernandez	ALT	23 - 25	

Human Development

Rebecca Burch		22 - 24	
Mamta Sexena	ALT	22 - 24	

Library

Nicole Westerdahl		22 - 24	
Zachary Vickery	ALT	22 - 24	ZV

Marketing and Management

Steve Abraham		22 - 24	
Sarfraz Mian		21 - 23	zoom

Mathematics

Magdalena Mosbo		22 - 24	
Nanthakumar		23 - 25	AN
John Myers	ALT	23 - 24	

Modern Languages and Literatures

Lenuta Giukin 2.		23 - 25	Absent
Patrick Schultz	ALT	23 - 25	

Music

Benjamin May 2.		22 - 24	~~Absent~~
	ALT	19 - 21	

Zoom

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Educational Leadership

Peter Ghazarian		23 - 25	
Tamara Lipke	ALT	23 - 25	

Philosophy

Craig Delancey		21 - 23	CD
	ALT	21 - 23	CD

Physics

Shashi Kanbur		23 - 25	S. Kanbur
Mohammad Islam	ALT	23 - 25	

Political Science

Josh Plencner		22 - 24	JOSH
Lisa Glidden	ALT	23 - 25	

Psychology

Ashlee Moore		22 - 24	
Emily Bovier	ALT	21 - 23	
Zoe Misiewicz	ALT	21 - 23	

Professional Staff

Michelle Bandla		23 - 25	
Grace Maxon-Clarke		23 - 25	
Jackie Wallace		22 - 24	
Mary Ann Preston	ALT	23 - 25	
Allison Peer	ALT	23 - 25	
Nichole Brown	ALT	22 - 24	

Senator

Grace Maxon Clarke		23 - 26	
Frank Byrne	✓	21 - 24	✓
Isabelle Bichindaritz	ALT	23 - 25	zoom
Steven Abraham	ALT	21 - 24	

Sociology

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Evelyn Clark Benavides		23 - 25	
Emily Estrada	ALT	23 - 25	

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Student Association

		23 - 24	
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Technology

Rich Bush		22 - 24	
Chris Stein	ALT	22 - 24	

Theatre

Jonel Langenfeld		22 - 24	
Steven Mazzoccone	ALT	22 - 24	

Vocational Teacher Preparation

Star Matteson		23 - 24	
	ALT	21 - 23	

Mary Canale VP for Development & Alumni Relations	
Kristin Croyle Dean of Liberal Arts and Sciences	
Laura Spencely Dean of Education	
Julie Pretzat Dean of Business	
Peter Nwosu President	
Scott Furlong Provost and VP for Academic Affairs	
Nicholas Lyons VP for Administration and Finance	
Kathleen Kerr VP for Students Affairs & Enrollment Mgt	
Jennifer Knapp Interim Dean of Comm, Media & the Arts	
Kristen Eichhorn Dean of Graduate Studies	
Jill Pippin Dean, Extended Learning	
Christy Huynh Dean of Students	
Paul Tomascak Interim Assoc. Dean, CLAS	
Frank Byrne UUP	

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