

*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 September 11, 2023 Minutes**

The minutes were approved as distributed.

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

**Student Association Representative**

Students have four voting representatives on our body and we have representation on theirs. For the past few years, I have rotated with 3-4 other faculty to make sure there is one representative

**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.

**State of the University**

President Nwosu will deliver the State of the University on Thursday, September 28 at 10 am in Waterman Theatre. You do need to get tickets for the event. I encourage you to come and support our new president with this new Oswego tradition.

**Guest presentations:**

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

**IV. UUP Report – Frank Bryne**

1. Thanks to everyone who attended the chapter Fall Social and worked to make it possible.
2. Dates to remember:
  - a. UUP General Members Chapter Meeting (Thursday, October 5, 3:00-4:30 in 170 Shineman) – it will be high-flex so look for the announcement this week. Furthermore, going forward, chapter Executive Board Meetings will be open to all members as well.
  - b. UUP Virtual Public Service Loan Forgiveness Clinic (online webinar, October 11, 5:00-6:30pm, registration open on the UUP website).
  - c. 2023 Fall Delegate Assembly (Oct. 13-14, Rochester, NY)
  - d. Pre-Retirement Workshop: Part 1 – Medicare/Healthcare (online webinar, Oct. 17, noon-1:00pm, registration open on the UUP website).
  - e. Pre-Retirement Workshop: Part 2 – Union Benefits (dental & vision) (online webinar, Oct. 19, noon-1:00pm, registration open on the UUP website)

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

- **Graduate Council Report – Isabelle Bichindaritz**  
Graduate Council met on September 22, 2023. We have started determining if there is a need to revise the attendance policy posted in the graduate catalog. Additionally, the Graduate Council has determined that there will be a cut-off time to submit proposals for review, which is 5:00 p.m. on the Tuesday before their meeting date. Meetings are held bi-weekly on Friday mornings at 9:00 a.m. Isabelle Bichindaritz will continue serving as FA reporter.
- **Academic Policies Council – Eve Clark** – No report this meeting
- **General Education Council – Chris LaLonde**  
The General Education Council approved the following courses at its 20 September meeting:  
  
MET 215 Global Weather and Climate Catastrophes and MET 315 Weather Disasters for inclusion in the Natural Sciences category
- **Undergraduate Curriculum Council- Liz Schmitt for Sarah Hanusch**  
CRW 314; Waiting on revisions to GER 198
- **Priorities and Planning Committee – Rick Back**  
Approved Statistic Program which moves forward to APC.
- **Personnel Policies Council – Jeff Schneider**  
Met on Monday for “meet and greet” and discussed upcoming plans.
- **Research Council – Dave Sargent**  
The first meeting is Oct 2 at 1:00 pm.

- **Information Technology Council – Ashlee Moore – No report this meeting**
- **Campus Concept Committee – Liz Schmitt – No report this meeting**

**VI. Council Elections  
Research Council**

CLAS Humanities: Doug Guerra - English

**Student Association**

Elizabeth Schmitt  
Allison Rank  
Kristin Croyle  
Richard Back

**VII. Action: Political Science Department Name Change  
PASSED** unanimously by acclamation

**VIII. Digital Accessibility Presentation – Sean Moriarty and Rebecca Mushtare**  
Rebecca and Sean discussed the available campus resources to make digital materials accessible. The [complete presentation](#) is available on the FA website. Also available on the site is the information card distributed at the meeting “[5 Accessibility Principles for Content Authors](#)”.

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

*The meeting was adjourned at 4:05 PM*

**The next meeting is October 9th  
The Fall 2023 schedule is available on the FA website**

**Vacancies:**  
**2 FA seats for Student Association (contact Liz for information)**