Faculty Assembly Minutes **November 4, 2024**
Chair: Gwen Kay **Recorder: Lisa Teters**

The meeting was called to order at 3:00 pm with a reading of the Land Acknowledgement Statement

I. **Approval of Agenda**
The agenda was approved.

II. **Approval of October 21, 2024 Minutes**
The minutes were approved as distributed.

III. **FA Chair's Report – Gwen Kay**
1. CLAS update: on Fri 11/1, meeting with some chairs (BIO, CHE, HIS, MAT, POL + FA representative); meeting tomorrow 11/5 with balance of chairs.

As per a workshop for new presidents, shared governance follows AAUP definitions. This means talking frankly and honestly with each other. This is always a joint endeavor; talking with one administrator or one faculty member (of one's choosing) does not constitute consultation.

History of SCMA creation: Zach Vickery has information together from the archives; it is available for anyone interested.

2. From the plenary:

Provost Ram Ramasubramanian spoked about academic technologies in this year's budget, with $200m to support digital transformation across the system,.

Chancellor King noted that faculty represent excellence, and the heart and soul of campuses, System benefits from their expertise. A reminder about the four pillars of SUNY: student success; research & scholarship; EID; and economic development & upward development

3. New courses, proposals, curricular changes: due by March 7.

4. Committee on Academic Integrity is working on AI policy, due in December 2024.

5. FA seats now open to anyone (don't need to be member of FA as have reverted to "at large")

Personnel Policies: at large: APC: formerly CLAS humanities, CLAS natural sciences/math/CS

5. Some volunteers, please:
We need a representative for the Lanigan-Penfield group: This is to participate in the program study for the renovation/rehabilitation of both facilities . We would like someone that is visionary and forward-thinking. What is the future of large lecture style classrooms (in the case of Lanigan), what does a modern Library and Resource Center look like (in the case of Penfield). What programs/areas/offices are not currently in these spaces that should be considered, what programs/areas/offices are currently there that should not be?
Faculty or staff to serve on Employee Wellness Committee.

Reports of Councils, Committees, and Task Forces

- **UUP – Frank Byrne –** No Report this meeting

- **Academic Policies – Jason Zenor –** No Report this meeting

- **Graduate Council Report – Peter Ghazarian**
  GC met virtually on Friday 10/25 at 9:30 AM. We heard an update from the Graduate Dean and decided to focus on updating the graduate grade appeal policy and enforcement of prerequisites for graduate-level courses. We began work related to both of these initiatives. GC will meet again on Friday 11/8 at 9:30 AM via Zoom.

- **General Education Council – Chris LaLonde**
  At the most recent General Education Council meeting (23 October) we discussed the revised title, learning outcomes, and guidance for the new Civic Discourse competency and provided feedback regarding same to our Provost's Office. The Council appreciated both the revised learning outcomes and the new guidance. It also hailed the decision to move the effective start date for the new competency from the beginning of fall 2025 to the beginning of fall 2026.

  The Council will meet on 6 November to beginning the process of reviewing and commenting on the CY 2025 general education assessment plan updates that were due on 1 November

- **Undergraduate Curriculum Council- Mamta Saxena**
  1. Approved BRC 310 - Producing Podcasts with a minor change in prerequisite – upper-division standing.

  2. Finalized the timeline. The following language will be posted on the UCC website and curriculog.

  "In August, the cycle opened for the 2025-2026 catalog. New courses can be implemented at any point in time. All revised course proposals encompassing significant changes to course content and/or course changes that would (further) restrict student access to the course must be completed through UCC and FA before the schedule of classes is published, and registration begins for implementation in the upcoming semester.

  Once a semester schedule is published for the upcoming semester, and more importantly, if registration has already begun, course changes (i.e. prerequisite changes) will be effective for the following term. If the course allows, students can still enroll with the instructor's permission. Please plan your course proposals using the timeline below."

SPRING: Schedule of Classes is published in mid-October. Registration begins in early November. The first day of classes is late January.

SUMMER: Schedule of Classes is published in mid-February. Registration begins mid-March. The first day of classes is late May.

FALL: Schedule of Classes is published in mid-March. Registration begins from late March to early April. The first day of classes is late August.

WINTER: Schedule of Classes is published in late September/early October. Registration begins mid/late October. The first day of classes is mid-December.

- **Priorities and Planning Committee – Greg Ketcham** – No Report this meeting

- **Personnel Policies Council – Jeff Schneider**
  Dean review should be complete by the end of the semester. Discussed redundancies in the Bylaws and possible changes.
  Nominations for Civic Engagement Task Force:
  - CLAS: Karol Cooper, Courtney Doucette, Alas Kaplan, and Julia Koeppe
    SOE: none
  - LIB: Catherine Carra
  - SCMA: Danielle Hodgins
  - SOB: Rain Khan
  - IRA: Mary Ann Preston

  Library, SCMA, SOB, and IRA nominations were approved by acclamation. PPC will send ballots to vote on the CLAS nominees.

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

- **Information Technology Council – Dave Sargent** – No Report this meeting

- **Campus Concept Committee – Gwen Kay**– No Report this meeting

IV. UFS Senators Report – Grace Maxon and Isabelle Bichindaritz

Grace and Isabelle presented highlights of the UFS Plenary in Plattsburgh. They demonstrated the use of the UFS website, and talked about updates from the UFS President, Provost and Chancellor King, as well as current resolutions. Their complete report and Resolutions are available on the FA website.

V. Retention Presentation – Cory Bezak

Cory discussed retention numbers, enrollment planning and retention updates. His complete report is available on the FA website.

VI. Budget Presentation – Vicki Furlong

Vicki presented an overview of the current budget, incoming and spending and the financial plan. Her complete report is available on the FA website.

VII. New Business

No New business this meeting

The meeting was adjourned at 4:45 PM

The next meeting is on November 18th at 3pm

The Spring 2025 Schedule will be available on the FA website

Curriculog will be closed to program changes on March 7, 2025

Faculty Assembly Attendance 24-25

4-Nov-24

Accounting, Finance and Law			
Graig Arcuri		24-26	Absent
	ALT	24-26	

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

Anthropology			
Patricia Princehouse		24-26	Absent
Alana Ossa	ALT	24-26	

Art & Design			
Richard Metzgar		24-26	Absent
Cynthia Clabough	ALT	23-25	

Atmospheric & Geological Studies			
Yonggang Wang		21-23	Y. W.
Steve Skubis	ALT	21-23	

Biological Sciences			
Mike McDonald		23-25	MJM
Poongodi Geetha-Loganathan		24-26	
Jim MacKenzie	ALT	24-26	

Chemistry			
Mahdi Hesari		23-25	
Jeffery Schneider	ALT	24-26	

Cinema and Screen Studies			
Josh Adams		24-26	
Chris Lalonde	ALT	23-25	

Communication Studies			
Jason Zenor		24-26	JZ
Andrea Vickery		23-26	
Fransisco Suarez	ALT	24-26	
Taejin Jung	ALT	24-26	

Computer Science			
James Early		24-26	
Doug Lea	ALT	24-26	

Counseling and Psychological Services			
Sean Finnerty		24-26	Absent
	ALT	24-26	

Criminal Justice			
Matthew McLeskey		23-25	
	ALT	24-26	

Curriculum & Instruction			
Jed Locquiao		24-26	
Eric Olson		24-26	
AlexAlex Hong-Lun Yeung	ALT Fal	24-26	
Bonita Hampton	ALT Sp	24-26	

Economics			
Mihai Paraschiv		24-26	
David Andrews	ALT	24-26	

Electrical & Computer Engineering			
Sungeun Kim		23 - 24	
Adrian Ieta	ALT	23 - 24	

Educational Leadership			
Peter Ghazarian		23-25	
Tamara Lipke	ALT	23-25	

English and Creative Writing			
Doug Guerra		24-26	
Michael Raicht	ALT	24-26	

Health Promotion & Wellness			
Jessical Harris		23-25	
Amy Bidwell	ALT	23-25	

History			
Chris Mack		24-25	CM
Leo Hernandez	ALT	24-25	

Human Development			
Rebecca Burch		24-26	
Mamta Sexena	ALT	24-26	

Library			
Sarah O'Shea		24-26	SO
Laura Harris	ALT	24-26	

Marketing and Management			
Steve Abraham		24-26	SEA
Sarfraz Mian		24-26	
	ALT		
	ALT		

Mathematics			
A. Nanthakumar		24-26	AN
Zoe Misiewicz		23-25	Absent
Magdalena Mosbo	ALT	24-26	

Modern Languages and Literatures			
Roseli Rojo		24-26	
Patrick Schultz/Lenuta G	ALT	23-25	

Music			
Amanda Li		22-24	
	ALT	19-21	

Philosophy			
Craig Delancey		23-25	Absent
	ALT	23-25	

Physics			
Priyanka Rupasinghe		23-25	Priyanka
Mohammad Islam	ALT	23-25	

Politics			
Josh Plencner		24-26	JP
Lisa Glidden	ALT	23-25	

Psychology			
Ashlee Moore		24-25	
Mark Mirabito	ALT	23-25	

Professional Staff			
Michelle Bandla		23-25	
Grace Maxon-Clarke		23-25	
Jackie Wallace		24-26	
Mary Ann Preston	ALT	23-25	
Allison Ayotte	ALT	23-25	
David Runge	ALT	24-26	

Senator			
Grace Maxon Clarke		23-26	
Isabelle Bichindaritz		23-26	IB
	ALT	23-26	
Steven Abraham	ALT	23-26	

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

Student Association			
Zay Donato		24-26	Absent
		24-26	
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		24-26	

Technology			
Rich Bush		24-26	
Chris Stein	ALT	24-26	

Theatre			
Jonel Langenfeld		24-26	
Steven Mazzoccone	ALT	24-26	

Vocational Teacher Preparation			
Star Matteson		24-26	
	ALT	21-23	

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	

VP for Development & Alumni Relations	

Kristin Croyle Dean of Liberal Arts and Sciences	KC

Laura Spencely Dean of Education	

Dean of Business	

Julie Pretzat 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	FJB