

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 March 18, 2024 Minutes

The minutes were approved as distributed.

III. FA Chair's Report – Liz Schmitt

In Memoriam: Stephen L. Weber, Ninth President of the State University of New York at Oswego

<https://www.sdsu.edu/news/2024/03/stephen-l-weber-former-sdsu-president-dies-at-age-82>

Stephen Lewis Weber died March 17 surrounded by family at his home in Jersey City, New Jersey.

Weber grew up playing basketball with his brothers and cousins in the old barn, where they would build tunnels with hay bales and perform daredevil stunts at the end of long ropes.

Weber would rise early to care for the farm animals and continue his chores in the evening, laying the groundwork for an impressive work ethic.

Weber made his way to Bowling Green State University, where he fell in love with philosophy — and with **Susan Keim**. Weber would later say that marrying her was the best decision of his life. In his marriage proposal, he proclaimed to his future wife that he would never have any money. Susan replied that she would never care.

Weber pursued graduate studies at the University of Colorado and achieved a Ph.D. in philosophy from Notre Dame. In 1969, he began his academic career as an assistant professor of philosophy at the University of Maine. He and Susan had two sons, Rick and Matt, and Weber became enamored of the natural beauty of the Maine Coast.

Weber transitioned into university administration, becoming assistant to the president. He later served as dean of Arts & Sciences at Fairfield University in Connecticut, and vice president of Academic Affairs at St. Cloud State in Minnesota.

In 1988, he assumed his first college presidency at the State University of New York at Oswego. He quickly gained the respect of his SUNY peers and the Oswego community. In 1995 he was selected to serve as interim provost of the 64 campus SUNY system.

In 1996, Weber was appointed president of San Diego State University. He quickly forged the personal relationships that were the hallmark of his collaborative style of administration. During Weber's 15-year tenure as president, SDSU matured into one of the finest universities in the nation.

Weber would always downplay his personal contributions, saying "a university president is really just a hood ornament." But under Weber's leadership, SDSU led the nation in improved graduation rates. He built strong ties with the San Diego community, raised academic standards and diversified the campus. Weber pioneered programs to help military veterans and low-income, first-generation college students enter SDSU.

Weber somehow found time to become an excellent woodworker, gardener, landscape artist and birder. He traveled broadly.

When Weber retired in 2011, he and Susan relocated to Hancock Point, Maine, and the vacation home they built at the start of his career. Weber continued to pursue his passions, including hiking and kayaking.

In October of 2021, Weber was diagnosed with ALS, a neurodegenerative disease. He participated in trials to advance the medical understanding of ALS. In spite of his physical decline, he published a collection of marvelous essays — "Reflections in the Mirror of Life" — in 2023.

Weber was curious, open, patient, wise, frugal to the point of excess, engaged, positive and tenacious. He displayed a great wit and warmth, attracting a wide circle of admiring friends.

Strategic Planning Update: The plan is evolving from 5 anchors to 3 drivers centered around growing enrollment, expanding branding and marketing, and enhancing support structures. There is a town hall scheduled for April 10 at 3 pm in 201 MCC.

Curriculog deadline for courses and policies is 4/5

Amended meeting dates: 4/15 FA, 4/22 FA and general faculty, 4/29 FA and general faculty

Upcoming presentations/topics: Residence Hall master planning today, Carnegie Community Engagement Reclassification on 4/15, Task Force report on 4/22, general faculty business on 4/22, the President's Report to the Faculty on 4/29

[Short update from Shashi on the eclipse weather and scheduled events.]

Call for nominations: FA Chairperson, UFS Senator and alternative; Nominations accepted through 4/15. Election on 4/22. Nominations go to Jeffery.Schneider@oswego.edu

IV. Reports of Councils, Committees, and Task Forces

- **UFS - Frank Byrne**
The Spring Plenary is this weekend; the [agenda](#) is available on the SUNY website. Please

email Frank Byrne or Grace Maxson-Clarke with any questions or concerns.

- **UUP – Frank Byrne**

On April 29th there will be a Zoom conference regarding the Family Leave Policy. This conference is for members only and registration is required. Spring mixer May 3rd 3:30 – 5:30 at Vona’s, invites are forthcoming.

- **Graduate Council Report – Isabelle Bichindaritz**

Graduate Council met on March 22, 2024.

- We approved the letter of intent for the Workforce Education and Development (non-certification) MS by email today.
- Higher Education Leadership HLE 570 Understanding International Higher Education was approved with minor modifications.
- All the following 16 ADO courses from the MST in Adolescence Education were approved with minor modifications (Practicum in title was changed to Field Experience):
 - ADO 545 Science Field Experience A
 - ADO 544 Science Methods A
 - ADO 537 Mathematics Field Experience B
 - ADO 536 Mathematics Methods B
 - ADO 535 Mathematics Field Experience A
 - ADO 534 Mathematics Methods A
 - ADO 517 English/ Language Arts Field Experience B
 - ADO 516 English/ Language Arts Methods B
 - ADO 515 English/ Language Arts Field Experience A
 - ADO 514 English/ Language Arts Methods A
 - ADO 546 Science Methods B
 - ADO 547 Science Field Experience B
 - ADO 554 Social Studies Methods A
 - ADO 555 Social Studies Field Experience A
 - ADO 556 Social Studies Methods B
 - ADO 557 Social Studies Field Experience B

We will meet again on Friday, April 5, 2024

- **Academic Policies Council – Eve Clark**

APC met on March 18, 2024 by zoom. We approved the hyflex and grade change policies. We also approved the new Meteorology Minor and the Nursing Program announcement. We will meet this Friday, April 5 by zoom.

- **General Education Council – Chris LaLonde**

The Gen Ed Council approved PSY 419 for inclusion in the department's writing plan, said approval contingent on the course submission passing muster at UCC. The Gen Ed retreat is May 14, 2024.

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

On 3/29/24 UCC approved the following:

- FIN 291
- HIS 100

NAS 360

PSY 419

SUS 115

THT 308

THT 364

THT 452

On 3/25/24 UCC approved the following:

ANT 104

ANT 308

ANT 309

ANT 319

BRC 301

BRC 325

BRC 350

CRW 310

CSS 340

MAT 347

- **Priorities and Planning Committee – Greg Ketcham**

The Priorities & Planning Council conducted a Zoom meeting on Friday, March 29, 2024: We voted to approve the letter of intent for the Computer Science Education All Grades program.

We voted to approve the Hyflex Policy at the undergraduate and graduate level.

We voted to approve the letter of intent for the Nursing program.

We voted to approve changes to the Anthropology Major and Minor electronically.

We voted to approve changes to the Creative Writing Major and Minor electronically.

We voted to approve Biology/General Science Extension for Adolescence Education 7 – 12 subject to receipt of letters of support from the affected science departments (BIO, PHY, AST, GEO)

- **Personnel Policies Council – Jeff Schneider –**

Elections for the Review Committee are pending.

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

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

- **Campus Concept Committee – Liz Schmitt**

Met March 21st. Mitch Fields updated the Mahar and Lanigan-Penfield connector project. It is less likely there will be a connector. Designers toured Penfield over Spring Break and are bidding on the project.

The committee also discussed the composition of an advisory group for Lanigan-Penfield to begin meeting in Fall 2024.

V. Residence Hall Study and Planning – JMZ Architects, Sarah Mojzer:

Sarah discussed the campus master plan and residence halls renovations. Her complete presentation

will be available on the FA website.

VI. New Business

FA Resolution to Rescind the Resolution to Cancel Classes on Sept 27, 2024 for the Presidential Inauguration. Following a vote to waive the two week rule, it was decided by a vote of 22 yes/ 2 no to rescind the resolution to cancel classes and return to a regular full day schedule on Sept. 27th.

The meeting was adjourned at 4:11 PM

The next meeting is April 15, 2024.

The April 22 and 29 meetings will be abbreviated FA followed by a General Faculty meeting.

**Curriculog is closed to PROGRAM CHANGES as of March 8, 2024
COURSES AND POLICIES will close on APRIL5th**

Vacancies:

2 FA seats for Student Association (contact Liz for information)