

**Due to poor weather conditions FA was conducted via Zoom.**

*The meeting was called to order at 3:02 pm with a reading of the Land Acknowledgement Statement.*

**I. Approval of Agenda**

The agenda was approved.

**II. Approval of February 2, 2025 Minutes**

The minutes were approved as distributed.

**III. FA Chair's Report – Gwen Kay**

\*Thanks to Tyrone Johnson-Neuland, CTS and Grace Maxon-Clarke for transition to Zoom.

\*CLAS will divide into three schools (humanities; social & behavioral sciences; natural sciences, math & engineering), *and* other schools will become colleges.

\*The Public Good U Feb 7-9 conference in Albany had solid Oswego representation: Eve Clark Benevides, Eileen Gilligan, Lisa Glidden, Ritu Radhakrishnan, Allison Rank, Liz Schmitt and I presented; President Nwosu, Scott Furlong, Kristin Croyle, Yadi Aranda Burgus, Tina Cooper, Mallory Bower, April Lopez and Grace Maxon-Clarke were all there to cheer on and learn. Key takeaways included the role of higher education in securing democracy; Chancellor King noted in opening remarks that “we need to listen carefully: college brings together diverse students who can disagree respectfully.” Eileen Gilligan demonstrated how, through the local journalism project, indirect civic skills can lead to civic engagement. Finally, Carleen, Vande Zande, CAO of the National Association of Higher Education Systems reminded us, mindful of this historic moment, that DEI **is** the responsibility of everyone, not just an office; we all must make safe spaces for students, faculty and staff.

**VOTE:** APC - CLAS Nat Sci, Math, CS - Florencia Lauria, English

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

● **UUP – Frank Byrne**

Frank's [complete report](#) to the General Faculty is available on the FA website

● **Academic Policies – Jason Zenor**

APC met on Fri. Feb. 7th. The council approved the Cannabis Microcredential. The council also approved the Hyflex Modality Policy with the following amendment: Change the final line from: "Students can move among available modalities from class session to session at their discretion" to reflect the SUNY language: "Students can move among available modalities with a degree of choice as to how they participate each week." The

council will meet again on Fri. Feb. 21st.

- **Graduate Council Report – Peter Ghazarian**

The Graduate Council met virtually via Zoom from 10:00 to 11:00 AM on February 11. The meeting included discussions on graduate scholarship application reviews, policy updates, and program proposals. A guest presenter provided insights on proposed changes to the Academic Integrity Policy.

The council reviewed a proposed revision to the [Academic Integrity Policy](#), which included shifting responsibility for handling cases to associate deans and removing the Student Conduct Office from the process. While faculty members would retain autonomy in determining consequences for academic misconduct, the obligation to report such incidents was emphasized. Concerns were raised about faculty awareness of this requirement, and it was suggested that program coordinators take responsibility for ensuring instructors understand their reporting obligations. The proposed changes were approved.

Updates were provided on new program proposals. The letter of intent for a new Master's program in Computer Science Education was revised and approved. Similarly, revisions to the Workforce Education and Development proposal, including clarifications in language and curriculum updates, were reviewed and approved.

[Proposed Language for Graduate Council Report Outs in Curriculum](#) was presented and passed unanimously.

A discussion on the definition of HyFlex modality explored differences between the proposed definition and the SUNY-wide standard. The council also considered how other institutions have implemented HyFlex and the importance of ensuring clarity for students regarding course offerings. The proposed definition was approved by majority vote. Due to time constraints, the discussion on the Grade Appeal Policy was postponed. Grad Council meets next on February 24.

- **General Education Council – Chris LaLonde – No Report**

- **Undergraduate Curriculum Council- Mamta Saxena**

UCC met on Feb 05 and **approved** the following courses.

PSY - 484 - Behavioral Genetics

PSY - 419 - Racial, Ethnic, & Cultural Identity Development

MGT - 301 - Business Analytics

CRJ - 303 - Prisoner Rights

BRC - 220 - Intro to Audio Production

Letters to the originators were sent to **revise** two courses with minor changes

ESC - 209 - American Environmental History

PSY - 207 - Culture, Identity, & K-Pop.

**Rejected**

SPA 112 - Continuing Elementary Spanish for Criminal Justice

SPA - 111 - Elementary Spanish for Criminal Justice

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

Via Zoom meeting on Friday, February 14, 2025:

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We voted to approve SUNY Oswego Academic Integrity Policy at the undergraduate and graduate levels.

- **Personnel Policies Council – Jeff Schneider**

Met last week with By Laws changes to Graduate and Undergraduate Curriculum Councils. We meet again on Monday Feb 24<sup>th</sup>.

- **Research Council – Dave Sargent**

Research Council met on February 13th via Zoom. Activities reports were given from SCAC, IACUC, IPAC, and ORSP. Faculty Research Exchange presentations have been scheduled and will be announced. Updates were presented on the Qualitative Research Resource Survey. Next meeting will be March 13<sup>th</sup>.

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

- **Campus Concept Committee – Gwen Kay**

Campus Concept met on February 12. We discussed the interplay of technology, pedagogy and classroom configuration. Next meeting will be on March 12.

**V. Discussion: [Creating an Interdisciplinary Studies Department](#) – Lisa Glidden**

There were no questions.

**VI. Open Educational Resources Services (OER) – Sarah Wiseman and Nicole Westerdahl**

Nicole discussed many details about OER. Her [complete presentation](#) is available on the FA website

**VII. New Business**

No new business this meeting.

*The meeting was adjourned at 3:45 PM*

**The Spring 2025 Schedule is available on the FA website**

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