

# SUNY Delhi.

## Senate Meeting Minutes February 10, 2025

**Present:** Brian Bean, Doug Holub, Genevieve Salerno, Amber Boulay, Peter Brusoe, Jason Cash, Barabara Davies, Carrie Fishner, Kari Haugeto, Cheri Rossi, Shannon Shoemaker, Lisa Tessier, Michael Tweed, Megan Wolfe, Dan Gashler, Lori Tremblay, Teri Hamblin, Max Dehne, Sanum Shafi, Heather Schwarz, Beth Boyd, Nazely Kurkjian , John Padovani, Ruth E., Michael Sullivan, Lori Ciafardoni, Mary Bonderoff, Mary Wake, Jack Tessier, Julia Rios., Dan Davis, Michael Tweed

**Proxies:** Carrie F. for Leslie Barger,

### Meeting at 4:32 PM

Welcome! We hope everyone and their families are healthy and safe – please mute.

Approval of Jan. 27, 2025 meeting minutes. Motion made by Jason C., second by Sanum S.

Discussion: none

Vote taken: 15 yes, 0 no. Minutes approved.

### Updates:

Presider – Doug Holub – Met with Mary B. and E-board on February 3, 2025. Copying advisors in regards to academic dismissal and probation work is being done. Will be put on Sharedrive file named “Scholastic Standing” will be searchable by advisor name. Tracking for this will be done through Slate. Library hours to include Saturday work being done with staffing. Federal Government actions/policy shifts and support associated. SUNY Attorneys are being consulted and guidance is anticipated. Communicated that contact for ICE is Chief O’Donnel at UP and the President’s Office. SUNY is standing by their pillars of DEI and associated terminology but there may need to be a change as things change on the federal level in order to stay in compliance.

Discussion around DEI terminology and financial support, implementation and guidance, etc.

Focus on complaints of faculty and staff, and others. Mary to convene group of relevant administrators on case by case basis. Course evaluation questions to become active Fall of 2025. Strategic Plan working groups are started. Alice Krause working on that. Welcome week analysis to include working group which will include faculty members.

Discussion about student residential situation and the limits on amount of students that can be brought in as well as housing options for students as we expand. Alternative housing, renovations, etc.

President Update: Mary B.:VP of student life search will be kicking off. Two reps from Senate (faculty and staff). Review of CET guidelines state chair must be a VP. VP of finance will be serving as chair. Thursday Feb. 13 at 3, regional innovation council housing summit to be hosted at Bluestone. County will share housing study and panel of businesses such as construction and housing focused business will rep. Hoping for action items to address housing concerns in Delaware County. Southern Tier did not get the On Ramp proposal as hoped. RADC will continue to find funding efforts to support proposal put forward. Last weekend for home basketball games. If you are around please come and show your support! Looking into ASAP and ACE (additional support for students, intensive advisors, book support, transportation) for our campus. Enrollments, applications, and deposits continue to trend up. Budget is being monitored closely. On track to have 0 deficit by 2028. Applications for Real Talk will be available. Will be collaborating with SUNY Oneonta for the faculty portion. Meeting with gov. representatives continue. Advocating as much as we can with our reps to make sure we get all the support we need. Dates to talk more about facilities master plan upcoming.

Discussion about On Ramp Southern Tier and workforce development further discussed.

Winter2025 SUNY UFS Plenary Report: Lisa T.: January 16 to 17. One more Plenary to go to in April. Please consider running for this position. President to be elected to SUNY UFS. Tech sector discussions around private schools creating 90 credit bachelors and what that could mean for schools that require a 120 credit degree. Discussions about restructuring in the tech sector. Chancellor is committed to shared governance. Chair of SUNY Board of Trustees spoke about changing environment and executive orders. Commitment to DEI is important but be aware that we receive federal funding. Report from Chancellor – enrollment is up 3.4% across SUNY. In tech sector up 7.6%. Should use that to advocate for more funding! Dr. Shelly Jones selected to be a Fellow for SUNY Accessibility Fellowship Program. Discussion about how to make sure what's happening in high school is rigorous enough to prepare students for college. Empire AI potential benefits and disadvantages, including powering with the use of green energy. Senior Vice Chancellor for Student Success highlighted bus trips for juniors from NYC to different campuses across New York State. Would like to do this with more campuses.

CADI Board Update –

Peter Brusoe – last semester very successful for CADI. Thank you Ralph Perez for your efforts! Service hours have been increased. If you have people who are looking for jobs, CADI is a good employer, please encourage them to apply. Student positions as well. Strategic partnership with Sodexo. Dietary restriction food is now easier to provide, prices are reduced. CADI employees at this time will stay CADI employees. We need to decide what we would like to do moving forward. CADI provides the auxiliary services for the school, which includes bookstore, laundry, food and more. Many SUNY campuses have a similar relationship with third party vendors that we could potentially have with Sodexo. Looking at adding a third independent director to be in line with best business practices. We are currently working through term length rotations. Student internships and better opportunities for people to move on to other positions within campuses.

Discussion about RFPs and concerns about finances and the potential of having to pay Sodexo back and bylaws changes should they come to pass. Discussion about staffing and technology changes.

Old Business

None.

New Business

None.

Announcements

Lori C.: Thank you for all who served on the Chancellor's Committees! We had nominations in all categories! Packets will be sent out shortly.

Academic Program Assessment Committee Academic Senator Representative Needed

Budget and Planning Committee Academic Senator Representative Needed

Academic and Non-academic Senator Representative needed for the Vice President of Student Life search committee.

Lisa T.: I would like to nominate myself.

Doug H.: That would be for the academic faculty rep. Anyone else? Please let us know if there is anyone else. Anything you would like to say?

Lisa T.: Yes this is an important position and I have done some work with student life in the past. It's important to be able to support the student experience on this campus! I hope I can live up to your expectations.

Ballot cast through chat. Lisa T. wins the vote!

Adjourn at 5:50 PM.