

# SUNY Delhi.

## Senate Meeting Minutes 11/18/24

**Present:** Doug Holub, Genevieve Salerno, Leslie Barger, Barbara Davies, Shannon Shoemaker, Mark Sullivan, Carrie Fishner, Cheri Rossi, Dan Gashler, Megan Wolfe, Brian Bean, Jason Cash, John Padovani, Beth Boyd, Lisa Tessier, Louis Reyes Jr., Dan Davis, Max Dehne, Michael Sullivan, Alice Krause, Chelsea Matthieu, Lori Tremblay, David Brower, Heather Schwartz, Lauren Sloane, Michael Tweed, Sanum Shafi, Marc Evans, Mary Bonderoff.

**Proxies:** Carrie F. proxy for Kari Haugeto, Cheri R. proxy for Lori C.

### Meeting at 4:31 PM

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

#### **Approval of Nov. 4, 2024 meeting minutes**

Motion by Jason C., second Michael T.  
Genevieve S. –m Barbara thanks for correction  
Vote taken : 18 yes, no 0 – minutes pass.

**Updates: Interim Provost, Presider – David Brower** – Chief Academic Officers Conference in November. Updates from various reps from diff. areas within SUNY admin level. Provost Rom talked about international student affairs and Office of International Student Affairs, which will be helping with international students and opportunities. Discussion on concurrent enrollment. Academic Program Optimization and the portfolios we offer. System is supportive of minimizing redundancies across programs and across campuses. Nursing Program objections have been sustained at SUNY level. Several different program proposals have popped up such as from SUNY Downstate and Freedonia, but have been turned down. Transfer Taskforce presentation main focus is to keep students within the SUNY system. We want to see more and more students stay within the SUNY system as they achieve their degrees. 25% of students who completes Ass. Degrees go on to complete their baccalaureate degree. Sector meetings are great opportunity to share data and best practices. Discussion about Light Cast and our subscription. AI discussions and student outcomes discussed. Turn-over in Middle States is significant. Many people we are used to working with have left. Starfish and contract has been extended through December 2026 and online programs. Listening tour will visit each of our campuses. No date for us yet.

We have been approved for a PRODiG fellow this year. We did not have a successful search last time. Looking for biology/chemistry position soon. Earlier outreach. National Institute of Student Success. More info to come on weekend of December 2 on what next steps are. Executive Committee submission. Been in contact with Nikki Hoffman about organizing resources to make them easier for advisors to find. Academic advising ShareDrive so all resources will be in the

same place. Searchable database. Also Argos in the public folder. We will talk about where to find those resources as well. Making progress with the DW overhaul. SICAS working diligently on that. Working on Gen Ed block and others.

Alice K.: Wanted to give a shout out to Andrea D. because she has organized the CAO meetings for the past 13 years. That's a huge job and thank you to her!

David B.: Yes, she has done a tremendous job! Kudos to Andrea.

Discussion about ShareDrive resources for advising.

#### **Committee Reports**

Doug H.: Document provided of reports have been submitted. Do any of the chairs of these committees have any updates.

**Scholarship Committee: Shannon S.:** We haven't met yet but right now it is just Lori and I in the committee.

**Budget and Planning: Leslie B.:** will meet on Friday for their November meeting. We lost Ivaylo from our committee so we need an academic and 2 non-academic reps. Please let me know. Fireside chat before Thanksgiving Break, hoping to have on Monday. Meeting with Chelsea this week.

**SUNY UFS Fall Plenary Report :** Lisa T.: Sharing summary. Details are in the report. Doug Alice and I attended Plenary on October. Resolutions that we passed, one did not pass the Plenary vote. Reinstatement of conversations in the disciplines funding. Tech sector trying to apply for some of those funds focusing on DEISJ. Lab hours calculated and paid are very different across tech sector discussed. MFA also discussed. Our school has to log in multiple times whereas Canton and Cobleskill only have to log in every 30 and 14 days respectively. Discussed updates to SUNY GE framework around proposed changes to AI and civic discussion. Chancellor spoke and mentioned evidence based programs around retention. Transfer Task Force brought up as well.

Tech sector asked about restructuring. Fewer full-time faculty are being hired and increased number of adjuncts being hired. It is important to hire tenure-track faculty. Chancellor says he support that but also pointed out the ratio of students to staff is higher than it used to be.

Keith Landa Public Good University Conference in February 2026. Hopefully some of you will be able to go to that. AI and SUNY Digital Transformation project also reported on.

Chief Sustainability Officer also presented. Goal to make SUNY a leader in sustainability infrastructure. Provides opportunities for tech.

Committee Reports. All committees reported and are looking for information from us. Putting a call out to us for that. Student Life working on glossary of terms. Also looking at First year Seminar. Ethics is requesting everyone fill out the Burnout Survey.

Genevieve S.: What roles are they looking to hire international people in.

Lisa T.: In the past we could not sponsor people in the past.

Genevieve S.: Staff or faculty positions?

Lisa T.: Both for us.

#### **Old Business**

o Proposed Bylaws Changes: Reassignment of Parliamentarian Role (vote): Doug H.: Is this for the combination of past-president and parliamentary role?

Cheri R.: Yes, that is correct.

Discussion about making grammatical amendments.

Motion made to accept bylaws change made by Heather S., second by Barbara D.

Motion made to make amendments by Lisa T., second by Heather S.

Discussion: None.

Vote for favor of making amendment. 16 yes, 0 no. Amendment passes.

Discussion on change to Bylaws to remerge the parliamentarian role with associate president role.  
Vote taken: 16 yes, 0 no. Motion passes.

#### **New Business**

No new business.

#### **Announcements**

o Academic Program Assessment Committee Academic Senator Representative Needed

o Budget and Planning Committee Academic Senator Representative Needed

o Budget and Planning Committee Non-Academic Senator Representative Needed

Lou R.: Wanted to give quick update. Ongoing campus climate survey completion updates. After three weeks we are at a response rate of 13% for students and about 33% for faculty and staff. We are still above the SUNY average, but I would love to have much more.

Heather S.: Is Deadline the 28<sup>th</sup> of November?

Lou R.: Yes but we are extending it to December 6<sup>th</sup>.

Discussion about anonymity and results tabulation.

**Adjourn at 5:42 PM.**