

*Southern Connecticut State University
Faculty Special Senate Meeting
Minutes of April 17, 2013*

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The fourteenth meeting - Special meeting - of 2012-2013 was called to order at 12:10 pm by President Susan Cusato.

Members Present/Absent (Members absent are designated in **bold**)

Emmanuel Emenyonu (Accounting)	Michelle Lawler (Counseling)	Susan Calahan (Exercise Science)	Rick Bassett (Management)	(Part-Time Faculty)	Dana Schneider (Social Work)
Valerie Andrushko (Anthropology)	Uchenna Nwachuku (Couns/Sch Psych)	Luisa Piemontese (WLL/Foreign Language)	Mel Prince (Marketing)	(Part-Time Faculty)	Heather Pizzanello (Social Work)
Jeff Slomba (Art)	Tom Fleming (Earth Science)	Lisa Vitale (World Literature Language)	Maria Diamantis (Mathematics)	David Pettigrew (Philosophy)	Jon Bloch (Sociology)
Terrence Lavin (Art)	Sam Andoh (Econ/Finance)	Patrick Heidkamp (Geography)	John Scheuermann (Mathematics)	Jim Dolan (Physics)	Patricia Major (Special Ed/Reading)
Meghan Brown (Athletics)	Beena Achhpal (Education)	Chris Petto (History)	Wes O'Brien (Media Studies)	Kevin Buterbaugh (Political Science)	Ruth Eren (Special Ed/Reading)
Jonathan Weinbaum (Biology)	Peter Madonia (Ed Leadership)	Ginny Metaxas (History)	Terese Gemme (Music)	Gayle Bessenoff (Psychology)	Larry Nye (Theatre)
Adiel Coca (Chemistry)	Judy Tarbox (English)	Jerry Dunklee (Journalism)	Chris Denhup (Nursing)	Kevin Colwell (Psychology)	Marty Hartog (UCF)
Annette Madlock-Gatison (Communication)	Mike Shea (English)	Elsie Okobi (Library Science)	Pennie Sessler Branden (Nursing)	William Faraclas (Public Health)	Chris Petto (Grad Council)
Deborah Weiss (Com Disorders)	Paul Petrie (English)	Rebecca Hedreen (Library Science)	(Part-Time Faculty)	Jim MacGregor (Recreation/Leisure)	Mary Papazian (SCSU President)
Herv Podnar (Computer Science)	Matt Rothbard (Exercise Science)	Sue Clerc (Library Services)	(Part-Time Faculty)	Susan Cusato (Science Ed/Env Studies)	Student Government: Sarah Green

Approval of Minutes: the Minutes of April 10 and April 17, 2013 will be approved at the next Regular Faculty Senate Meeting: April 24, 2013.

Announcements:

- ° President Cusato announced a graduate program priority town hall meeting is scheduled for Friday 5/3 in EN C 112.
- ° Senator Shea announced the P & T service meeting is scheduled for Monday 4/29 1-3 PM at the ASC Ballroom.

President's Report: Distributed and the following items discussed:

- ° Senate Bill 867: faculty on BOR, let legislators know about our research agenda (Mike Shea)
- ° BOR may be implementing IT Policies IT-001 and IT-002, though these were disapproved by the administration. President Papazian stated that these resolutions went beyond the senate range of responsibility.
- ° BOR identifies one candidate for presidency of BOR. Now the BOR wants to make the final appointment per pending legislation.

OLD BUSINESS:

NEW BUSINESS:

- ° **Resolution on AAUP Travel Funds 2013-2014:** David Pettigrew presented a resolution that affirmed the key role of the Senate in setting the maximum amount per faculty member per academic year, and that this recommendation continued to be supported by the SCSU President; changes suggested to wording.
- ° **Resolution on Faculty Creative Activity Funds:** David Pettigrew presented a resolution to protect the funds; changes suggested to wording.
- ° **Resolution on Faculty Creative Activity Funds 2012-13:** David Pettigrew presented a resolution that \$25,000 be restored to the funding for 2012-13, and that changes should not happen to the funding amount without Senate consultation; changes suggested to wording.
- ° **Resolution on raising the faculty creative activity grant allotment from one-tenth of one percent of the SCSU operating budget to two-tenths of one percent for 2013-14.** David Pettigrew presented a resolution; changes suggested to wording
- ° **Sense of Senate on the above four resolutions:** Near-unanimous support (Note: there was not a quorum at the meeting.)
- ° **Resolution on reform of travel authorization reimbursement:** Paul Petrie presented a resolution aimed at clarifying this process; changes suggested to wording.
- ° **Resolution on communication of reform of travel authorization reimbursement process:** Paul Petrie presented a resolution aimed at clarifying this process; changes suggested to wording.

Motion to adjourn 1:55 PM.
Respectfully submitted,
by Dr. Jon Bloch
(in the absence of the secretary)