

Southern Connecticut State University  
**FACULTY SENATE**

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Approved Minutes of December 7, 2016

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The 7<sup>th</sup> meeting of the Faculty Senate AY 2016-2017 was held on December 7, 2016, at 12:15 pm in the Seminar Room of Connecticut Hall.

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

<b>Wafeek Abdelsayed (Accounting)</b>	<b>Uchenna Nwachuku (Couns/Sch Psych)</b>	Robert Gregory (Exercise Science)	Klay Kruczek (Mathematics)	David Pettigrew (Philosophy)	<b>Ron Tamura (Special Ed/Reading)</b>
Kenneth McGill (Anthropology)	<b>Mike Knel Anthony Fullmer (Earth Science)</b>	Tom Radice (History)	Ray Mugno (Mathematics)	Todd Schwendemann (Physics)	(Special Ed/Reading)
Greg Cochenet (Art)	Sanja Grubacic (Econ/Finance)	Stephen Amerman (History)	Wes O'Brien (Media Studies)	Jon Wharton (Political Science)	Larry Nye (Theatre)
<b>Lisa Barbaro (Athletics)</b>	Beena Achhpal (Education)	<b>Yan Liu (Information &amp; Library Science)</b>	<b>Jonathan Irving (Music)</b>	Michael Nizhnikov (Psychology)	<b>Rubén Pelayo (World Languages &amp; Literatures)</b>
Sarah Crawford (Biology)	<b>Peter Madonia (Ed Leadership)</b>	Jerry Dunklee (Journalism)	<b>Maria Krol (Nursing)</b>	Katherine Masland (Psychology)	Luke Eilderts (Secretary/World Languages & Literatures)
Adiel Coca (Chemistry)	Joel Dodson (English)	Diane Tomasko (Library Services)	<b>Antoinette Towle (Nursing)</b>	William Faraclas (Public Health)	Deborah Weiss (UCF)
<b>Jane McGinn (Communication)</b>	Mike Shea (English)	Kari Swanson (Library Services)	(Part-time Faculty)	Michael Dodge (Recreation/Leisure)	William Faraclas (Faculty Senate Past President)
Deborah Weiss (Com Disorders & UCF Representative)	Scott Ellis (English)	Mina Park (Management/MIS)	<b>Robin Esposito (Part-Time Faculty)</b>	(Social Work)	Elizabeth Rhodes (Grad Council)
Hossain Shafact (Computer Science)	Scott Graves (Environment, Geography & Marine Studies)	Greg Robbins (Management/MIS)	Obiageli Okwuka (Part-Time Faculty)	Stephen Monroe Tomczak (Social Work)	(Student)
<b>Michelle Lawler (Counseling)</b>	Peter Latchman (Exercise Science)	<b>Shyam Lodha (Marketing)</b>	Walter Stutzmann (Part-Time Faculty)	<b>Alan Brown (Sociology)</b>	<b>Dr. Joe Bertolino, SCSU President</b>
<u>Guests:</u> Ilene Crawford, Assoc. VP of Academic Affairs					

## **Minutes of Previous Meeting**

Minutes of the previous meeting held on November 9, 2016, were approved as corrected.

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## **Announcements**

- D. Pettigrew: Sealing of the Promotion and Tenure files on December 15-16 from 10-2 in Buley 346.

## **President's Report**

<http://www.southernct.edu/faculty-staff/faculty-senate/senatepresidentreports/2016-2017.html>

- Great deal of discussion concerning President Bertolino's budget presentation held on December 5, 2016.
- Change in scholarships: Volunteers sought to serve on the newly created scholarship committees. Next year, university wide elections will take place to determine membership on these committees.

## **Standing Committee Reports**

- Rules
  - Discussion resumed on revisions to the bylaws.
  - W. O'Brien moved to commit bylaws revision to the rules committee for further review. Motion seconded and passed.
- Finance
  - Faculty creative activity fund: \$3,432; Full-time AAUP travel funds: \$150,740; Part-time AAUP travel funds: \$10,501.
  - D. Pettigrew renewed the Senate's support that Administration allocate the remaining contractually allowed travel funds.
- Academic Policy: no report.
- Student Policy: no report.
- Technology: no report.
- Elections: no report.

## **Special Committee Reports**

- Undergraduate Curriculum Forum: no report.
- FASP/USPaRC: no report.

### **New Business**

- Senate took up discussion on “Statement on Human Rights, Civility, Dignity, Compassion, Kindness, and Respect.”
- After much discussion, D. Weiss moved to commit to Executive committee, to have the Executive committee research what is already in place so that we are reaffirming University policy, and to bring the document back before the Senate for approval. Motion was seconded and passed.
- J. Dodson moved to empower the Executive committee to revise and submit the “Statement on Human Rights, Civility, Dignity, Compassion, Kindness, and Respect,” on behalf of the Faculty Senate. Motion failed.

Meeting adjourned at 1:43.

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Luke Eilderts  
Secretary