

Southern Connecticut State University
FACULTY SENATE

Approved Minutes of October 18, 2017

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The 4th meeting of the Faculty Senate AY 2017-2018 was held on
 October 4, 2017, at 12:15 pm
 in the Seminar Room of Connecticut Hall.

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

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| Wafeek Abdelsayed (Accounting) | Natalie Starling (Couns/Sch Psych) | Robert Gregory (Exercise Science) | Len Brin (Mathematics) | David Pettigrew (Philosophy) | Angela Lopez-Velasquez (Special Ed/Reading) |
| Kenneth McGill (Anthropology) | Mike Knell (Earth Science) | Tom Radice (History) | Klay Kruczek (Mathematics) | Todd Schwendemann (Physics) | Laura Raynolds (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) |
| Lisa Barbaro (Athletics) | Jessica Powell (Curriculum & Learning) | Yan Liu (Information & Library Science) | Jonathan Irving (Music) | Michael Nizhnikov (Psychology) | Luke Eilderts (Secretary/World Languages & Literatures) |
| Sarah Crawford (Biology) | Peter Madonia (Ed Leadership) | Jerry Dunklee (Journalism) | Maria Krol (Nursing) | Jemel Aguilar (Psychology) | |
| James Kearns (Chemistry) | Joel Dodson (English) | Parker Fruehan (Library Services) | Antoinette Towle (Nursing) | William Faraclas (Public Health) | Deborah Weiss (UCF) |
| Derek Taylor (Communication) | Mike Shea (English) | Kari Swanson (Library Services) | Mark Dobbins (Part-time Faculty) | Michael Dodge (Recreation/Leisure) | William Faraclas (Faculty Senate Past President) |
| Deborah Weiss (Com Disorders) | Elizabeth Kalbfleisch (English) | Mina Park (Management/MIS) | Eric Hoffman (Part-Time Faculty) | Jemel Aguilar (Social Work) | Elizabeth Rhoades (Grad Council) |
| Mohammad T. Islam (Computer Science) | James Tait (Environment, Geography & Marine Studies) | Greg Robbins (Management/MIS) | Mary Ellen Minichiello (Part-Time Faculty) | Stephen Monroe Tomczak (Social Work) | Mia Forgione (Student) |
| Michelle Lawler (Counseling) | Peter Latchman (Exercise Science) | Shyam Lodha (Marketing) | Walter Stutzmann (Part-Time Faculty) | Greg Adams (Sociology) | Dr. Joe Bertolino, SCSU President |
| <u>Guests:</u> Jules Tetrault (Dean, Student Affairs) Bruce Kalk (Dean, A&S) Larry Brancazio (PSY) | Terricita Sass (AVP, Enrollment MGMT) Ilene Crawford (AVP, Academic Affairs) | Robert Prezant (Provost) Craig Hlavac (A&S) | | | |

Minutes of Previous Meeting

Minutes of the previous meeting held on October 4, 2017, were accepted as distributed.

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Announcements

- Senator Swanson (LIB): AAUP day of action in EN C112 until 4 p.m.
- Reminder: Mid-term grades are due October 27 at 8 a.m.

President's Report

- President Diamantis asked senators to consider renaming the technology teaching award to honor Will Hochman (ENG), who passed suddenly over the summer. Senator McGill (ANT) moved to rename the Technology Teacher of the Year Award to the Will Hochman Technological Teaching Award. Seconded. After brief discussion, the motion passed.
- President Diamantis shared that the meetings hosted by the Dean of A&S were well attended. Dean Kalk (A&S) shared that once the results from the survey had been compiled, they would be shared publically.
- President Diamantis shared that President Bertolino has been given permission to hire some critical positions around the University.

Guest

Provost and Vice-President for Academic Affairs, Dr. Robert S. Prezant, spoke to the Senate about collaborating with Gateway Community College and Housatonic Community College, where Southern would offer complete Bachelor degree programs onsite. There was a lot of discussion and many questions asked. Provost Prezant explained that this represents an opportunity to reach students who might not otherwise complete a four-year degree. He also stressed that no one is being mandated to do something s/he does not want to do. He shared that there are many issues that need to be ironed out, but that these questions should not deter us from being creative. Many questions from faculty centered on the following issues:

- How will students complete coursework not offered on those campuses (e.g. remaining elective or LEP credits)?
- How will this impact our enrollment and budget?
- How will the needs (e.g. Library services, student life, student services, etc.) of students be fulfilled on another campus?
- How will we assess faculty who teach on these campuses?
- How will faculty move back and forth between campuses?
- How will we handle the logistics of faculty teaching on multiple campuses?
- Which programs are being considered and why?
- Would it be more efficient to have students come to our campus?

President's Report (part two)

- President Diamantis shared that the Summer Schedule has been distributed and there are major changes. There will only be two summer sessions, A (May 21-July 1), and B (July 9-August 19). There were many questions concerning the way the decision was made and announced, as well as concerns over how this will impact summer course delivery.

Standing Committee Reports

- Finance: Senator Abdelsayed (ACT): Creative Activity fund, \$348; Part-time AAUP, \$27,211; Full-time AAUP, \$278,349.
- Technology: Senator Stutzman (PT):
 - Moved to approve the “Resolution to implement the recommendations on online education.” After a brief discussion, Senator Shea (ENG) moved to call the previous question. Motion seconded and approved. Senate moved to approve the resolution. Resolution passes.
 - Senator Stutzman (PT): Moved to approve the “Resolution to provide classroom technology support that reflects the extensive range of times when classes are in session.” After a brief discussion, Senator Faraclas (PCH) moved to call the previous question. Motion seconded and approved. Senate moved to approve the resolution. Resolution passes.
 - <https://www.southernct.edu/faculty-staff/faculty-senate/resolutionsbydate.html>

Quorum lost at 1:54 p.m.

Luke Eilderts
Secretary