

Southern Connecticut State University
FACULTY SENATE

Unapproved Minutes of April 12, 2017

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

The 13th meeting of the Faculty Senate AY 2016-2017 was held on
 April 12, 2017, at 12:14 pm
 in the Seminar Room of Connecticut Hall.

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

Wafeek Abdelsayed (Accounting)	Uchenna Nwachuku (Couns/Sch Psych)	Robert Gregory (Exercise Science)	Klay Kruczek (Mathematics)	David Pettigrew (Philosophy)	Ron Tamura (Special Ed/Reading)
Kenneth McGill (Anthropology)	Mike Knell (Earth Science)	Tom Radice (History)	Joe Fields (Mathematics)	Todd Schwendemann (Physics)	Judith Tepstra (Special Ed/Reading)
Greg Cochenet (Art)	(Econ/Finance)	Stephen Amerman (History)	Wes O'Brien (Media Studies)	Jon Wharton (Political Science)	Larry Nye (Theatre)
Lisa Barbaro (Athletics)	Beena Achhpal (Curriculum & Learning)	Yan Liu (Information & Library Science)	Jonathan Irving (Music)	Michael Nizhnikov (Psychology)	
Sarah Crawford (Biology)	Peter Madonia (Ed Leadership)	Cindy Simoneau (Journalism)	Maria Krol (Nursing)	Katherine Marsland (Psychology)	Luke Eilderts (Secretary/World Languages & Literatures)
James Kearns (Chemistry)	Joel Dodson (English)	Diane Tomasko (Library Services)	Antoinette Towle (Nursing)	William Faraclas (Public Health)	Deborah Weiss (UCF)
Anette Madlock Gatson (Communication)	Mike Shea (English)	Kari Swanson (Library Services)	(Part-time Faculty)	Michael Dodge (Recreation/Leisure)	William Faraclas (Faculty Senate Past President)
Deborah Weiss (Com Disorders)	Scott Ellis (English)	Mina Park (Management/MIS)	Robin Esposito (Part-Time Faculty)	(Social Work)	Elizabeth Rhoades (Grad Council)
Md Shafaat Hossain/ Amal Abd El-Raouf (Computer Science)	Scott Graves (Environment, Geography & Marine Studies)	Greg Robbins (Management/MIS)	Obiageli Okwuka (Part-Time Faculty)	Stephen Monroe Tomczak (Social Work)	(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> Richard Riccardi, AVP, Institutional Effectiveness	Tracy Tyree VP, Student Affairs				

Minutes of Previous Meeting

Minutes of the previous meeting held on March 29, 2017, were approved as distributed.

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Announcements

- Senator Tomczak (SWK): CSU-AAUP elections end this Friday.
- Senator Nye: (THR): *35mm: A Musical Exhibition*
<https://tickets.southernct.edu/eventperformances.asp?evt=837>
- Senator Cochenet (ART): Opening reception for graduating seniors in Art on April 20 5-7pm, Buley Art Gallery.

President's Report

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

- Senators discussed CSU President Mark Ojakian's announcement concerning system restructuring. Concern was expressed over the process, timeline, and impact.

Standing Committee Reports

- Academic Policy: Senator Pettigrew (PHI): Work continues on the grade appeal policy.
- Elections: Senator Kruczek (MAT): All-University committee elections closes Friday at noon.
- Finance: Senator Abdelsayed (ACC): AAUP Full-time: \$89,968; AAUP Part-Time: \$14,269; Creative Activity Fund: \$4,242.
- Personnel: Senator Shea (ENG): At the following full-senate meeting, a motion will be brought before the senate concerning the P&T recusal rule.
- Rules: No report.
- Student Policy: No report.
- Technology: Senator Stuzman (PT): Reminded senators to fill out the survey on technology in the classrooms. Conversations continue concerning the video walls in EN A120 and C112.

Special Committee Reports

- UCF: UCF President and Senator Weiss (CMD): UCF will debate a major motion at their bi-weekly meeting on Thursday that concerns students who transfer in with 60+ credits.
- Graduate Council: Graduate Council Representative Rhoades (CSP) absent, no report.
- FASP/USPaRC: Senator Pettigrew (PHI): Working on the priorities in the academic strategic plan.

Unfinished Business

- Senators took up the "Resolution regarding the establishment of a task force to recommend plans for restructuring the University" brought forward by Senator Fields (MAT) at the previous meeting. During debate, Senator Madonia (EDL) called the question. Hearing no objection, senators moved to a vote. The motion to approve the resolution failed.

New Business

- Senator Cochenet (ART): Shared that the Buley Art Gallery is in danger of closing. A motion is being drafted by his home department and should be brought before the full senate before the end of the semester.
- President Diamantis: Drew attention to the Senate end-of-year Retreat held in conjunction with the AAUP. The event will be held on May 15th from 10am to 2pm at the Savin Rock Conference Center in West Haven.
- Senator Tomasko (LIB): Shared that Buley Library will have shortened hours over the summer: 9am to 7pm Monday through Thursday; 9am to 4:30pm on Friday; 1-5pm on Saturday; closed Sunday. Additionally, if you are scheduled to teach in the Library this summer, you will be relocated to another location on campus.

With no further business, meeting adjourned at 1:45 pm.

Luke Eilderts
Secretary