

Academic Governance Meeting
12/13/16

Voting members in attendance

Faculty: Neal Abrams, Greg Boyer, Tristan Brown, Biljana Bujanovic, Emanuel Carter, John Castello, Ted Dibble, Kelley Donaghy, Mark Driscoll, Joanne Ellis, Ted Endreny, Richard Hawks, Doug Johnston, Brian Leydet, Valerie Luzadis, Bob Meyer, Anthony Miller, Sharon Moran, Lee Newman, David Newman, Chris Nowak, Ruth Owens, Andrea Parker, Lindi Quackenbush, Kim Schulz, Gary Scott, Scott Shannon, Art Stipanovic, Ken Tiss, Quentin Wheeler

Staff: Karen Moore, Mary Triano, John Turbeville, Katherina Searing, Aaron Rounds, Davie Kiemle, Paul Otteson, Debbie Caviness, Laura Crandall, Heidi Webb, Terry Ettinger, Ray Appleby, Susan Sanford, Joe Pagcaliwagan, John View, Jon Owens, Rebecca Hilts, Claire Dunn

Students: Carolyn Chang, Jordan C'Dealva-Lenik, Terrance Caviness, Jacquelyn Gier, Richard Monaco, Ryan Scheel, Tyler Shields, Ben Taylor

Guests: Sophie Gublo-Jantzen, Anne Lombard, Brandon Murphy, Casey Duffy, Anthony Chefalo, Erin Tochelli, Barbara Newman, Maureen Fellows

Meeting called to order at 11:05 by Tom Amidon.
Approval of minutes – approved as submitted

Upcoming events – Kelley & Heidi Webb

Professional staff will hold an organizational meeting to vote in AG Voting members for the coming year.

January 10 – Kelley & Doug

Faculty/staff mentoring colloquium on Jan 10th – they need help – please volunteer.

President's comments

Happy end of the semester. Wants to thank everyone for their hard work. For what everyone does for the college and the students. Students are high caliber. Several folks commented that graduation was wonderful – as was the soiree on Saturday evening. A special thank you to Laura Crandall.

On top of all the demands on our time – thank you for taking the time to interact with candidates for provost and VP research. Your comments and feedback are so important for the process. Thank Emanuel and all on the committee – very impressive slate of candidates. Also, Don and the VP research committee.

We are working on a document laying out college priorities over the next few weeks – draws on the bridging document and departmental reports. Trying to do it in an organized way and polishing it prior to sharing. Chairs through AC have shared a lot and will be distributing more broadly soon.

Thanks to everyone for all the ideas and concerns they've shared. They are paying attention to them and determining how to respond in a positive way and to correct the course. It is a living document and things may be shifting with the new political climate.

Appreciate that Ken Syvraud for attending the last board meeting. He has appointed Kathryn Newton to be a special advisor – and one of her duties is to ID areas to increase collaboration b/ ESF and SU. She's currently gathering all the collaborations that are currently going on.

Will be posting adds for the Chief Diversity officer in Jan. Will release the plan.

Will engage the SUNY technology for Govt and they will make a road map for us to move forward – will engage with the AG tech committee on this.

Hope to finalize descriptions for VP of Admissions and Library Director.

Launched a new newsletter – more readable on hand held devices. Would appreciate feedback.

Thank Doug and Benette for continuing work with SOC committee. They'll share with us in the spring. Share your best ideas with them.

Embarked on an effort to refine our advancement strategies – with alumni, communications, and ??? offices. Thanks to the leaders of each of those offices. Will try to align with priorities as they are identified. A team will go to DC next week to begin assessing what opportunities might be. Continuing discussions with state reps and communicating closely with the Governor's office and the state legislature.

Developing an argument that ESF should be the flagship sustainable model for the SUNY system – and then argue for \$ to make that happen for all buildings.

Thanks all who have met with him over the last few weeks and welcome the opportunity to continue them. We have emerging opportunities and it will be an exciting spring term.

Have a well deserved holiday break!

Provost update - Emanuel

The end game... all 4 interviews have been completed. Thanks to those who were able to interact with them. There will be an online evaluation that will allow simultaneous evaluations to do a comparative report. Hope to meet next Monday or Tuesday and will look over the report and discuss. Will hopefully send something to the President on Wednesday. Had 44 excellent applicants. Had 9 off-site interviews and then 4 for on-campus.

COC report - David Newman

Simple issue – small change in FNRM curriculum to require SRE 337 rather than SRE 335 Renewable Energy. Approved by COC last week.

All Ayes.

Tom – there is a tabled item - SUNY Senate recommendations

Motion made to pull it off the table. Seconded. All ayes.

People now have had time to read this. Any questions? None. Question called.

Unanimously approved.

Other old business? No.

Any new business? Any committees want to report anything? Any announcements?

Suggest motion to adjourn. Seconded.

Unanimously approved.