

STATE UNIVERSITY OF NEW YORK/COLLEGE AT OLD WESTBURY
Faculty Senate Meeting/Friday, March 28, 2014

Faculty Senate Chair's Report

A. Outstanding/Immediately Pending Items

1. **Resolution:** Formal Curricular Integration of “**Social Justice Component**” in Academic Programs. “Will of Senate” revise the resolution to send this back to CAP as the means to facilitate further discussion? EC to offer a revised version?
2. **Ballots:** Bylaws (current Article I “electronic voting” and Article VI “regular elections” ballot out)
3. **Ongoing Discussion of GE: (compliant with beauty that is veiled) (has a related Middle States concern)**
 - A. **Concern about clutter (1):** separate GE program from Institutional Requirements (e.g. WAC, First Year)
 - B. **Concern about clutter (2):** consider faculty resolution to remove dormant courses from GE (2 yr period?)
 - C. **Concern about lack of clarity, central purpose and impact:** revisit possibly removing Diversity domain from GE (define it more clearly and make it an institutional requirement?)
 - D. **Concern about rigor:** error on the side of more rigor not less where applicable? (for the required basic communication; for the two competencies – information management and critical-thinking; some uncertainty about mathematics)
 - E. **Concern about progress and gauge:** ongoing development – set some goals and timelines (including an introductory paragraph that better captures the adorning values of our GE program).
4. **ST overview (Update):** plan for ST report (compiling: report from GEC and CAP; blog/general comments from faculty; campus representatives’ reports from SUNY Commons) **Target April 18th meeting for formal presentation of report to senate.**
5. **FRRC presentation** for April 18th (include tentative plans for bylaws revisions)
6. **Twilight on RABPC? (has a related Middle States Concern)** (working position with President – assured that will soon be resolved) [IT related budget inquiries (instructional difficulties mentioned in multiple forums – e.g. TLRC roundtable, discussions of the senate EC, discussions with the Provost and President, including College Webpage], Start-Up NY campus guidelines. **(need to gauge the senate’s/faculty’s intention/will here)**
7. **“Climate” Resolution (concern that the administration advances a generally constructive environment in the campus that supports the academy)** (“culture”, “communication” and “cooperation”/collaboration)
8. **Residency requirements - Administration is currently deliberating** – at some point information will be presented to faculty/senate for consultative review
9. **Scheduling and Common Hour** (receive some communication for consultative review by the faculty)

B. Systems and Processes (Update)

1. Master Scheduling (Moving to a new system, [CollegeNet/Current system](#) is a multi-purpose system): A. Sartakov will pilot group training (3-28-14)
2. Ray Maggiore & Tim McGarry – Work orders and capital projects, status update on existing projects (4-18-14)
3. Bylaws Review. (Operational Provisions that leads to improved structural and functional integrity) (Review both Structural Integrity and Functional Efficiency) **Anticipated response deadline: 3-14-14 (Postpone reporting until next senate meeting – 4-18-14)**

C. Other pending governance items

Scheduling for Committee Reporting

Spring 2014 Schedule of Meetings (TLRC and APC reported in the fall 2013)

Jan. 17 - Special Senate/Faculty Meeting (Seamless Transfer - GEC)

Feb. 7 - Full Faculty Meeting (CAP)

Feb. 28 - Senate Meeting (ARPT)

Mar. 28 - Senate Meeting (SLC and FJC today)

Apr. 18 - Senate Meeting (FRRC - confirmed)

May 9 - Full Faculty Meeting (FUAC, tentative)

May 23 - Senate Meeting (ASC, confirmed and RABPC)