

Minutes
Full Faculty Meeting
May 10, 2002
Attendance: 42

1. Minutes

The minutes of the February 15th Full Faculty meeting were accepted unanimously as submitted.

2. Chair's Report (N. Rosenthal)

- a. The Chair thanked members of the Executive Committee for their work during the year
- b. Ongoing matters were itemized: Development of a plan for the rights and responsibilities of graduate assistants (K. Wood); Code for ethical treatment of adjuncts (Faculty Rights and Responsibilities Committee); Improvement in articulation between faculty governance and administration (Senate Executive Board); Senate Membership issues (Bylaws Committee)
- c. A list of on-line databases available through our library was circulated (attached), and faculty were notified that there are no per-search charges for most of these
- d. A list of resolutions passed by the faculty during the 2001-2002 academic year was distributed (attached)
- e. Ruben Gonzalez eloquently thanked Aubrey Bonnett for his service as AVP (text attached)

3. President's Report (C.O. Butts)

- a. President Butts thanked Dr. Bonnett for his contributions as AVP, and assured faculty that a national search is underway
- b. Scholarship activities have been moved to the office of Academic Affairs on the advice of Senate. Fiscal responsibility will remain in the development office
- c. Ongoing activities were noted
 - i. The first new dormitory residents are expected in September, assuming the dorms are completed as planned
 - ii. Work of the mission statement committee is progressing, with a statement due out shortly
 - iii. SUNY trustees have approved the master plan amendment to allow graduate programs
- d. An enrichment program is planned this summer for NYC high school students through an agreement with the NYC Board of Education. Students will spend 6 weeks on campus, then spend two weeks traveling in the south to study nonviolence and the Civil Rights movement
- e. The president expressed his concern about lack of participation among a broad cross section of faculty. He plans to solicit input and help from these faculty
- f. Attention was drawn to an article by Duncan Quarless and Fernando Nieto on critical thinking in the most recent issue of *Teaching Talk*, a publication of the Long Island

consortium of Teaching for Learning centers.

- g. The president thanked Naomi Rosenthal for her fine work and leadership as Senate Chair.

4. Questions / Comments

In response to a question, Dr. Butts reported on his trip to China during April. He was impressed by the rapid growth there. University students wanted to hear his remarks in English, rather than in translation. He was impressed by the academic rigor and discipline of students in University visits. He thanked members of his delegation for their help, and expressed his hope the China relationship will grow.

5. Academic Vice President Report (A. Bonnett)

- a. The list of graduates for May 2002 was approved unanimously
- b. Dr. Bonnett thanked his staff and key faculty for their input. He stressed the importance of collegiality, expressed his support for the institution and its faculty, and his optimism for the success of new faculty and new programs.

6. Nominations and Elections Report (B. Hillery)

The slate for 2002 / 2003 committees was presented and the floor opened for additional nominations. The following names were added:

Academic Standing	George Snedeker; Diana Bierne
Faculty University Awards	Laura Anker
Student Life	George Snedeker
Library	Lisa Whitten
Senator at large	Madeline Crocitto

The following names were deleted:

SUNY Alternate Senator	Madeline Crocitto
CAP	Madeline Crocitto

7. Academic Policy Report (A. Barbera)

The committee addressed graduation with honors, and academic probation, suspension and dismissal policies for summer session policies. The report is attached

8. UUP Report (C. Franco)

- a. UUP has a new office in campus center room E202 - 204. The phone number for Kiko is 876-3345, and the office number remains 333-5770
- b. UUP is continuing to publicize the need to close the \$65 million budget gap. Recent activities have included a petition drive; and a fax, letter and email campaign. The Chancellor has expressed his support for UUP activities
- c. Retirement incentives are being considered
- d. E. Landy has been elected to the Statewide Executive Board
- e. The UUP barbeque will be held on the Meadow Terrace on May 20 at 12:30pm

9. New Business

- a. There was a request to amend the bylaws to include the Instructional Technology Librarian as an ex-officio member of the Teaching for Learning Committee. The request was approved unanimously, and will be communicated to the Bylaws Review Committee.
- b. Graduation will be held at 4:00 PM on Sunday, beginning with the Fall 2002 semester

10. Announcements

- a. The Chair noted that only 1/3 of faculty were present at this meeting, and urged those present to encourage their colleagues to get involved
- b. Today is the last day to purchase tickets to attend the Mets game with the UUP - contact Martha Livingston
- c. There will be a retirement party for Naomi Rosenthal at 2:30 PM in the lobby

The meeting adjourned at 1:30 PM