

**Arts and Sciences Senate
Meeting Minutes**

Oct. 21, 2019 3:30-5:00PM

Wang Lecture Hall 2

- I. Call to Order
Meeting called to order at 3:35PM by A&S President Peter Khost.
- II. Adopt Agenda
Meeting agenda moved and adopted by the body.
- III. Approval of Minutes from September 16, 2019
The meeting minutes of the September 16, 2019 A&S as prepared by A&S Secretary were moved and approved by the body with no requested amendments.
- IV. Opening Remarks, Peter Khost, A&S Senate President
A&S Senate President, Peter Khost, opened the meeting by acknowledging the land upon which the Senate was holding its meeting as having originally belonged to the Setauket (Setalcott) people, and welcoming the members and invited guests. Tracey Iorio, PEG Board Chair, was welcomed to the A&S Executive Committee and introduced to the body, and a special thanks was extended to Paula Di Pasquale-Alvarez for her good work as Senate Secretary.
- V. Presentation by Nicole Sampson, CAS Interim Dean
 - a. Q&A
President Khost introduced Interim Dean of the College of Arts and Sciences, Dr. Nicole Sampson, who presented on the state of the College of Arts and Sciences and its work since her last visit to the body in the spring of 2019. Dean Sampson presented on recent faculty, staff, and student achievements; college enrollment; advancement/investment work; and faculty numbers and the college's current and projected budget through 2023, noting that the College's Strategic Vision and planning is 'dynamic' in nature and designed to be flexible to meet future and evolving needs of the College.

Following the initial presentation, a question and answer period followed in which members of the body asked for any clarification or information that could be provided in regard to a rumor circulating that in future a new tuition sharing & budgetary model would be put in place in which percentage of monies received by academic departments would be based on monies generated not total number of students within a program. Follow up question from the body sought further clarification as to which academic department would receive such funding when faculty have joint appointments as practice had been that the home department receives the funding for classes taught across disciplines of study. Response was that

the practice would continue but more information is needed on the proposal.

VI. **Special Election to Fill A&S Senate Secretary Vacancy**

President Khost opened the floor to nominations for the open position of A&S Secretary, noting that all previously nominated members had declined to stand for election. No nominations were received from the floor, the election was suspended, and the issue referred back to the A&S Executive Committee.

VII. **Faculty Rights and Responsibilities Policy Committee Bylaws Revision, Fred Walter, FRRPC Chair**

Professor Sophie Leroy, member of the FRRPC, presented the proposed bylaws revision on behalf of Fred Walter, Chair of the FRRPC, who was traveling; the body considered the proposed revision, and a motion to accept was made and seconded from the floor. A vote was called, and the revisions were unanimously approved.

VIII. **Senate Outreach Campaign, Peter Khost**

President Khost reported that he has been engaged in a listening tour of the A&S affiliates and had scheduled or received commitments to meet with faculty from the affiliated members of the Senate for meetings throughout the academic year (14 of 32 have been scheduled or took place). He also proposed and requested support from the body for a 'Bring-Your-Colleague-to-Senate Meeting,' requesting that members encourage Senate participation by inviting colleagues to a meeting as a means of introducing faculty to the work of the Senate.

IX. **Old Business**

No old business presented.

X. **New Business**

No new business presented.

XI. **Adjournment**

Meeting adjourned at 4:35PM by motion and vote.

Proposed Change in Membership of the FRRPC

F.M. Walter, for the FRRPC

September 27, 2019

The Faculty Rights and Responsibilities Policy Committee (FRRPC) of the Arts & Science Senate proposes a change in its membership. This requires a revision to the ByLaws of the Arts & Sciences Senate.

The rationale for the changes is to ensure a voice for the non-CAS schools and colleges, and to ensure that the committee represents the concerns of tenure track (untenured) faculty. We also feel the the UUP VP for Academics would bring a better perspective to the committee than would the Grievance Officer, though we give the UUP VP the flexibility to delegate.

The proposed changes are:

2. e. The Committee on Faculty Rights and Responsibilities Policies shall consist of ~~seven (7)~~ **nine (9)** voting members:

(1) two elected tenured faculty representatives each from:

(i) the humanities and fine arts;

(ii) the social and behavioral sciences;

(iii) the natural sciences (one from physical sciences or mathematics and one from biological or marine sciences, **including SOMAS**).

(2) one elected tenured faculty representative from the Libraries or Journalism.

(3) one elected tenure-track faculty representative from any Arts & Sciences Senate constituency serving a one year term.

~~(2)~~**(4) one non-tenure track faculty representative;**

~~The UUP Faculty Grievance Officer shall serve as a consultant~~ **The Vice President for Academics of the Stony Brook Center chapter of the UUP or their designee shall be an ex-officio non-voting member, and shall be consulted** in all matters that might overlap with appropriate UUP domains.