

• COLLEGE SENATE MEETING •

SMS SENATE MEETING SUMMARY-draft

March 14, 2014 Butler 210, 3:00 p.m.

1. Call to Order: meeting commenced at 3:01 p.m.

2. Adoption of Agenda

- The Senate meeting agenda was amended to include a report under New Business from Associate VP of College Relations, Tim Walsh. The amended agenda was then approved.

3. Approval of Minutes

- Minutes of 2/14/14 were approved.
- Eulogy for Distinguished Professor Edward Smith, Ph.D. Given by **Senator Andrew Nicholls**

4. Remarks of the President

- **President Cohen** sent his Quarterly report in advance and will comment on it at the April 11th 2014 Senate meeting. The president was traveling abroad.
- **Chief Information Officer, Don Erwin** gave responses to two College Senate constituent questions:
 1. Degree Works
 2. Early morning computer shutdowns.Some discussion followed **Don Erwin's** responses.

5. Remarks of the Chair

- **Senator Carson** gave his remarks.

6. Committee Reports

- **Budget Staff and Allocations (BSAC) –Senator Ted Schmidt, Committee Chair- UFS Senator Scott Goodman** gave a report and then presented a motion in the absence of **Senator Schmidt**.
 - **Broad-Based Fees Proposal for 2014/15 (Power Point presentation)**
 - This was a joint report with the **Student Welfare Committee**.
 - There was discussion following the report.
 - **Senator Goodman** then presented the fee motion for vote.
 - The motion was discussed, voted on and **approved**.
- **By-Laws and Elections Committee- Senator Bill White, Committee Chair**
 - 2014 Elections.
 - **Senator White** showed updated list of seats to be filled in the upcoming elections. He also showed the revised nominations announcement with UFS and Alt UFS elections information added.

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Link to listing:

<http://www.buffalostate.edu/collegesenate/documents/SENATEELECTIONSLIST2014.pdf>

- **Faculty and Staff Welfare Committee (FSW)-Senator Kevin Williams**, Committee Chair
 - **Senator Williams** presents for discussion and vote a motion on the water quality issues in the Science and Math Complex.
 - **Senator Carson** urged that voting take place today, so that this issue can move forward rather than wait for the May 9th Senate meeting to vote on it; business would be suspended at the April meeting due to special presentations being given.
 - There was discussion and a vote was taken. The motion was **approved**.

• **Standards for Students Committee (S4S)- Senator Heather Maldonado**, Committee Chair
Senator Maldonado moved that the Senate refer the Active Military Duty DOPS to the administration for revision to bring the policy into alignment with federal and state regulations in the most student-friendly way possible.

- **Senator Loehr** seconded.
- **Senator Carson** asked for discussion, hearing none. All in favor? Motion approved.

7. Unfinished Business

- **Senator Hinderliter presents resolution for endorsing “Making Diversity Count”**
 - This item was sent separately in advance of today’s meeting after being presented at the February 14th Senate meeting. It was also included in the March 6th ESP.
 - **Senator Hinderliter** recapped the motion for the Senate.
 - **Senator Carson** asked the Senate for to vote.
 - The motion was unanimously **approved**.

8. New Business

- **College Relations- Associate Vice President, Tim Walsh**
 - Gave a special Power Point presentation on: **SUNY Buffalo State Marketing College Relations Initiatives- Overview 2013-14, College Senate, March 14, 2014**
 - There was some discussion following the presentation.

9. Constituent Questions – (full text will be in the full Senate Minutes)

- **Senator Grinnell** asked question on room assignments
 - **Vice President Payne** responded; will refer question to Registrar’s Office.
- **Senator Jarmond** asked about a tax being added on to the student’s bill.
 - **Vice President LeVine** responded.

10. Adjournment- The meeting adjourned at 4:28 p.m.

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Next Senate meeting on: Friday, April 9th 2014 in BUTLER 210 at 3p.m.