

# SUNY BUFFALO STATE COLLEGE SENATE

## SMS SENATE MEETING SUMMARY

April 14, Butler 210, 3:00 p.m.

### 1. Call to Order

- The meeting was called to order at 3:01 p.m.

### 2. Adoption of Agenda

An amended agenda with an additional resolution from Standards for Students was approved.

### 3. Presentation of Minutes

Minutes of 3/10/17 were accepted with minor revisions from **Vice President's LeVine** and **Velez**. These amended minutes will be posted.

### 4. Remarks of the President

- **Vice President LeVine** presented a **Budget Report** update via Power Point
- You can go here to view the report: <http://collegesenate.buffalostate.edu/reports-senate-2015-2017>

There was no discussion and no further reports from the President's cabinet.

### 5. Remarks of the Chair

- **Senator McMillan** complimented on the great refreshments for today's meeting.

### 6. Committee Reports

- **APC-Academic Plan Committee- Jason Grinnell, Chair**
  - Institutional Learning Outcomes (ILO) – for vote-**Motion approved**.
- **By-Laws & Elections Committee- Lynn Boorady, Chair**
  - Elections for 2017-2018-Elections begin on Monday, April 17<sup>th</sup> and run through Friday, April 28<sup>th</sup>, @ 11:59 p.m.
  - **Resolution to reduce the number of undergraduate student Senate seats from 10 to 6 and formalize the two graduate student seats** – introduced
  - There was extensive discussion about the motion. The motion will be brought back to the Senate for a vote at the May 12<sup>th</sup> Senate meeting. **Senator McMillan** urged all Senators to take this to their constituents and get feedback.
- **Instruction and Research- Scott Goodman, Chair**
  - **DOPS policy revision Academic Misconduct** – for vote-**Motion approved**.
  - **DOPS Graduate Thesis Project Continuation Policy revision** – introduced
    - No discussion. This motion will be voted on at the May 12<sup>th</sup> Senate meeting.

- **Standards for Students- Heather Maldonado, Chair**
  - **DOPS policy revision on Guidelines for Promotion and on Guidelines for Documenting Teaching Effectiveness** – vote-
    - The motion was to add language on advisement to the DOPS policy guidelines for promotion and guidelines for documenting teaching effectiveness.
    - There was a motion to move this language from the teaching effectiveness guidelines to the ‘Service’ guidelines. Discussion ensued. **Motion approved.**
    - **Senator Maldonado** had prepared an **alternate motion** with the language to have advisement moved to the guidelines for documenting service. **Motion approved.**
  - **DOPS policy revisions related to Undergraduate academic program credit overlap for Dual Degrees, Single Degree/Second Major, and Minors** – introduction
    - There was brief discussion. Vote at the May 12<sup>th</sup> Senate meeting.
  - **Resolution to Establish an Acknowledged Deadline for Matriculating Undergraduate Students**- introduction
    - There was some discussion.
    - Resolution will be voted on at the May 12<sup>th</sup> Senate meeting.

7. **Special Business** – General Education Update, **Mark Severson** and **Jason Grinnell**, Co-Chairs, **General Education Task Force** (*full update with appear in the completed abridged Senate minutes*)

**8. Unfinished Business**

There was no Unfinished Business.

**9. New Business**

There was no New Business.

**10. Constituent Questions-CQ’s**

- Two brief CQ’s were addressed by **Vice President LeVine**
  - **What is being done about campus vehicles driving/parking on the sidewalks?**  
This was addressed last month- there is a policy about driving on campus – email the address below if you have concerns.
  - **Campus workers parked and smoking in vehicles, and are they part of the smoking ban?**  
The ban by law is for the inside of the buildings and inside of vehicles, so they shouldn’t be smoking in vehicles.
  - **Addressing the parking response is in the March 10<sup>th</sup> Senate minutes. You can refer to those for that. [SIDEWALKACCESS@buffalostate.edu](mailto:SIDEWALKACCESS@buffalostate.edu) to report people smoking in vehicles or blocking sidewalks.**

**11. Adjournment: 4:30 p.m.**

**Final Senate Meeting of the semester is May 12<sup>th</sup> one hour earlier at 2 p.m. (not 3 p.m.)**

**Final draft of the April 14<sup>th</sup> 2017 SMS for Senate send out/posting. 4.21.17 VM**

**The Senate Caucus, election of Senate Officer will be held previous to the Senate meeting at 12:15 p.m. in Butler 210.**

**ALL MOTIONS AND RESOLUTIONS WILL APPEAR IN THE FULL ABRIDGED SENATE MINUTES.**