



# Stony Brook University

## Arts & Sciences Senate Meeting Minutes

November 9, 2020

3:30PM - 5:00PM

Virtual Meeting

1. Call To Order 3:30PM
2. Acceptance of the Agenda  
The motion to accept the agenda is carried.
3. Announcements from the A&S President: President Jason Torre was unable to lead this meeting so there were no announcements.
4. Approval of October 2020 Meeting Minutes:
  - a. See Link, here: [October 12, 2020 Minutes](#)  
The approval of the October 12, 2020 minutes is carried.
5. Promotion & Tenure COVID-19 Reference Sample Letters by J. Davila for the 2nd Reading
  - a. See Link, here:  
[Promotion & Tenure Committee proposal due to Covid-19, 2nd reading](#)  
The vote to make the changes to the PTC reference letters is passed.
6. Presentation from the Dean of the College of Arts & Sciences (Dean Sampson)
  - a. See Link here:  
[Dean Sampson PowerPoint Presentation](#)
  - b. Ken L. asked about whether there have been any changes in attitude toward more face-to-face classes for the Spring semester.
  - c. Dean Sampson said that predicting the future has become the biggest challenge during the Pandemic. We know much more now than we did when this first hit us in March, like how our students are able to behave under these circumstances, but that we need to get this current surge under control. The biggest challenge is satisfying the requirements for experiential learning through labs and performances. SBU is among 3 of the 64 SUNY schools to require a negative test for students coming from high risk areas before coming to campus.
7. Old Business: no old business
8. New Business: no new business
9. Adjournment: 4:27 PM