



Stony Brook University

Arts & Sciences Senate Meeting Minutes
October 18, 2021
3:45PM - 5:00PM
Virtual Meeting

- Call To Order at 3:45pm.
- Acceptance of the [Agenda](#)
The motion to accept the agenda is carried.
- Approval of September 13, 2021 Meeting [Minutes](#)
The approval of the minutes is carried.
- Opening Remarks & Welcome (J. Torre):
 - UUP will be hosting a Covid-19 vaccine panel discussion tomorrow.
 - President's inaugural lecture followed by a University Senate sponsored Club Red is scheduled for October 20th.
 - This Saturday is homecoming and also the inauguration ceremony will be taking place in the Island Federal arena.
 - A&S Senate executive committee is meeting every other Friday.
 - We have begun the review of the records in the Senate offices and have plan to merge them to the university archive.
 - Issue of space for the university senate offices has been brought to the provost office and waiting for the results.
 - We are engaged in the Executive Committee with reviewing the bylaws.
 - Rights and responsibilities of senators are published on our website.
 - Senate executive assistant and University Senate and A&S Senate secretaries will manage the upcoming Spring Senate elections.
 - We have opened the nominations for University Senate President.
- Overview of the Fall Plenary of University Faculty Senate (E. Quinn & P. Wolfskill):
P. Wolfskill:
 - Discussed resolution **UG**: "[189-05-1 In Support of AAUP Joint Statement](#) to get support so that it can be brought to the November meeting of the University Senate (Vote: 100% Agree).

- A resolution was submitted to the Statewide Senate on the increase in flexibility and telecommuting policy and work plans **OP:** ["189-03-1 Telecommuting Policy](#) (Vote: 88% Agree, no rejections, 12% Abstain).

- Committee on Senate Reorganization Overview & Update (J. Torre):
 - Committee will meet for the first-time next Friday.
 - Members will receive their formal charge from University Senate President Larson.
 - Committee will be looking at not only the Constitution, bylaws, committee structure, but also some of those areas of our current structure where we need greater definition.

- Old Business:
 - a. Javits Renovation (J. True):
 - Thanked planning committee members for their work.
 - There were four faculty members on the Javits planning committee.
 - Waiting to hear about redesigning space for small group active learning as opposed to keeping it only set up for traditional lecture modality.

 - b. Open Vacancies on Senate Committees (J. Torre): Made the final call for those willing to serve or put forward a colleague to fill out the Senate open seats.

- New Business: No new business.

- Adjournment at 5pm.