



## SPD Council Minutes

September 18, 2019 / 10:00 am – 12:00 pm  
SPD Conference Room / 2321 Computer Science

- Theresa Tiso, Former Chair
- Lisa Berger
- Rebekah Burroway
- Patricia Malone
- Nancy Tomes
- Madeline Turan
- Linda Varga

### Welcome from Nancy Tomes, President of University Senate

- Introductions
- Nancy scheduled this meeting with elected members to realign the SPD Council with the University Senate.
- Nancy advised the Council that beyond elected members, voting rights can be given by the Council.
- Nancy outlined the Council's job as advising the Faculty Senate of important issues and to assist Pat in doing the best job possible.
- Committee membership should be discussed, specifically a College of Business representative. It was suggested that Manny London would be/has been an asset to the Council; Nancy will contact him for election.
- The next meeting of the Council will be Wednesday, October 30 at 11 am to review the membership list. Linda will send invitations.

### Welcome from Pat Malone

- Pat shared her SPD history and evolution.
- She intends to be transparent with the Faculty Senate and share SPD data with the Council.
- SPD Advisory Boards created; D-TALE, Human Services and HEA
- Imminent new hire, Executive Director of Educational Programs and Curriculum
- Some new initiatives:

1. Pat will designate someone to work with Teacher Centers to evaluate needs SPD can fill.
  2. An HRM Advanced Graduate Certificate is currently in approval stages at SUNY.
  3. SPD is applying for NYS funding for Human Services non-credit programs
  4. With support from the Provost, SPD is developing a pilot program, Digital Launchpad, to work with CELT, an outside source (Wiley) and faculty to develop new programs.
  5. SPD is developing a Masters in Human Services.
- Micro-credentials: Pat suggested there needs to be a governance in faculty review of curriculum regarding campus-wide micro-credentials. Pat attended a recent meeting and a campus policy was created; it needs to be approved by SBU and then by SUNY.
  - Pat requested assistance from Nancy for East Campus representation on the SPD Council.

#### Welcome and retrospective report from Theresa Tiso, former chair of the Council

- Teri is retired now but willing to lend support to the Council for the transition.
- Teri suggested that SPD consider the following:
  1. Developing a Diversity Title IX credential
  2. Meet and greet events
  3. Create a chart of SPD programs
  4. Sharing of program data
  5. Alumni contact

#### Election of new chair for the Council

- A motion was made by Rebekah Burroway with a second by Teri Tiso to elect Madeline Turan and Lisa Berger as co-chairs of the SPD Council. Madeline and Lisa accepted the nomination.

The meeting adjourned at 12:00 pm.  
Minutes respectfully submitted by Linda Varga.