

University Council Meeting 2020-2021

Thursday, October 22nd, 2020

6:00 PM

Zoom

Attendance

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Agenda

1. **Call to Order**
 - a. **T. Morello** called the meeting to order at 6:04 PM.
2. **Budget Requests**
 - a. None

3. New Business

- a. Student Activity Fee Referendum
 - i. Vote outcome
 - 1. **Passed - Student Activity Fee continues to be mandatory.**
- b. Constitution Updates
 - i. Updates
 - 1. Made indentation edits and document more consistent.
 - 2. Replace references to CHRP with SOHP.
 - ii. Voting to submit constitution updates
 - 1. **Passes unanimously**
- c. 10/1/2020 Meeting with Chancellor
 - i. COVID
 - 1. Recovering patient load
 - a. Students not able to see as many patients - no real solutions
 - 2. Required testing
 - a. Mandates for on campus testing - decision up to individual SUNY schools. School can all be tested but not so easy to mandate.
 - b. Pool testing will begin for everyone soon. Working on getting kits.
 - ii. Parking
 - a. Outstanding question - how soon will the parking garage be taken down - Put on hold due to Covid.
- d. School Representatives
 - i. **SGS: I. Vingan**
 - ii. **COM: J. Ingam or R. Beale**
 - iii. **SOHP: C. Quirit**
 - iv. **Nursing: V. Ayvazian**
 - v. **Public Health: A. James**
- e. Update from Dr. Putman
 - i. Pool Testing
 - a. SUNY Downstate in the process of contracting with SUNY Upstate for saliva testing.
 - b. Roughly 200 tests will be performed per week and will include samples from students, faculty and employees.

4. Old business

- a. Student Center
 - i. Over 200 feet of rusted pipes were replaced
 - ii. Filters getting replaced - ventilation is still an issue
 - iii. Meg officially retired
 - iv. Schuyler named interim director of student life
- b. Bi-weekly survey

- i. Review the Idea Sheet
 - a. Add a question regarding in-person experience through COVID-19, add a question on technical support, add a question on student rotation and whether they feel safe, have proper PPE, add general comment section.
 - b. Aim to send out on Tuesday Oct 27th.
- c. Bios for website
 - i. A couple still need to be completed.
 - ii. Aim to send to Adam by Monday Oct 26th.
- d. Updates
 - i. SGS
 - a. In terms of projects and thesis everyone seems to be back on target. Not too much to complain about.
 - ii. COM
 - a. More COVID cases lately. A resident has been confirmed positive so everyone is trying to be more careful.
 - b. Exams are currently scheduled to be hybrid.
 - iii. SOHP
 - a. Midterms are finishing up.
 - b. PAs enjoying their rotations
 - c. SOHP is now receiving COVID cases
 - d. OT's fieldwork will be virtual for next semester
 - iv. Nursing
 - a. Started Townhalls because of lack of communication, distance learning and Covid inflicted issues
 - b. Clinicals have been disrupted for students
 - v. Public Health
 - a. All remote - no issues with clinical, because remote the workload has increased, missing valuable social connections, plan to have bi-weekly zoom sessions.
 - b. Most likely will be remote next semester as well.
- e. Thanksgiving dinner
 - i. Question - Do you think students will be interested in a pick and leave dinner?
 - a. Suggestion - Pre-order or serve during multiple days before Thanksgiving based on when different programs are on campus.
 - b. Dinner will be free
- f. Vote on SUNY SA Rep next meeting
 - i. SUNY SA's are a group of students who represent SUNY schools. They meet twice a year.
 - ii. The role of the SUNY SA Rep is to represent us to SUNY SA and to be our liaison for the center-wide committee made up of faculty and government.
 - iii. Aim to send out calls for applications this weekend.

- a. We should all do our part and advertise the role
- b. Term will be from now until December 2021

5. Adjournment

- a. **T. Morello** motioned to adjourn the meeting. Seconded by I. Vingan. Meeting ended at 7:18 PM.

Minutes Officially submitted by:

Evelin Hernandez, University Council Secretary

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Evelin Hernandez". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Electronically Signed by Evelin Hernandez