



Stony Brook University

Arts & Sciences Senate Meeting Minutes

April 11, 2022

3:30PM - 5:00PM

Virtual Meeting

- Call To Order at 3:30pm.
- Acceptance of the [Agenda](#)
The motion to accept the agenda is carried.
- Approval of March 21, 2022 Meeting [Minutes](#)
The approval of the minutes is carried.
- [Report of the Academic Judiciary Committee](#) (M. Huffman, Chair & W. Moore):
 - Presented the number of students appealing, and the number of those found responsible and those found not responsible.
 - Hearings are offered via Zoom. Professors and students can share screens and bring up their materials.
 - Students and faculty are more comfortable to join the hearings via Zoom.
 - Zoom hearings are being held sooner and in a timely fashion, simply because people are more accessible.
 - Question: K. Lindblom: Can you explain how there are so many cases that are not appealing?
 - Answer: The ones who aren't appealing take the Q course, which removes the remark from their record.
- Report of the Committee on Academic Standing and Appeals (R. Klein, Chair):
 - Discussed that students can appeal for various reasons such as if they want to withdraw after the deadline. Cases are reviewed and either approved or denied.
 - Since the start of the pandemic, we have taken into account extenuating circumstances and have made exceptions to the standard rules.
 - The committee meets twice a year after each semester.
- [Senate Reorganization](#) Discussion (A&S Senate body discussion of University Senate Presentation, focused polling of options) (J. Torre):
 - Discussed the two options brought up in the University Senate meeting and asked to vote on the one favored by A&S Senate Senators.

- K. Lindblom: In the University Senate meeting we were told that we were not eliminating any options and that was not a vote. We need more clarity and details to choose any options.
- F. Walter: Agreed with K. Lindblom. I think we need an open discussion over what is the purpose of the Senate, how do we get people involved, what do we want the Senate to look like.
- J. Sanders: I was aghast when the language in all of the proposals talked about the Senate reporting to the President. I think it should be emphatically in the other direction.
- T. Sears: Proposals outlined in last University Senate meeting didn't have enough specifics and I didn't get a sense of what we were discussing.
- T. Iorio: A lot of information was presented in a small amount of time. I wasn't super comfortable about what I was voting for.

- Old Business:
 - 2022 Proposed Promotion & Tenure Guidelines Revision ([2nd Reading](#)/Close Comment Period and report of initial responses) (J. Torre):
 - Thanked those who inputted comments in the copy of the promotion and tenure guidelines.
 - 2022 Spring Elections:
 - i. [A&S Guidelines](#)
 - ii. [Open Seats](#)
 - iii. Nominations can be made by filling out the google form
 - Nomination Close: April 10, 2022.
 - J. Torre:
 - List of open positions is posted on the Senate website.
 - We need nominees for our new Committee on Advocacy for Shared Governance.
 - The elections will be coming up soon, so encouraged everyone to participate.
 - University and A&S senates and Professionals decided if senators would like to stay in their position, they don't have to nominate themselves. And those who are unable to stay in their positions should let us know.

- New Business:
 - 2022 Bylaws Review & Comment ([1st reading](#) on proposed reformatting changes, section changes in red)

- Adjournment at 5pm.