

## **CAPRA Minutes for April 4, 2014**

Meeting time: 1:30 pm

**Attendees:** Steven Adelson (?), Dale Deutsch, Norm Goodman, Bill Godfrey, Deb Dwyer, Rob Kelly, Clark McGrew, Peter Salins, and Shmuel Einav

### **ACADEMIC SPACE NEEDS SUB-COMMITTEE REPORT**

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Clark McGrew provided the report of the Academic Space Needs Sub-Committee, which included the following items:

1. The University does not have enough space now and in the immediate future, which requires us to use space more efficiently and reallocate space between departments and schools as needed.
2. Information on space utilization is available in spreadsheet form. The initial set of data was completed in 2012, but is not currently up-to-date. Once it is, it will be given to departments for validation and update. The Provost's Office appointed Axel Drees to develop plans given these constraints. In addition, Clark will request a copy for CAPRA once it is up-to-date.
3. Clark reviewed the set of principles established by the task force for the use, assignment, and reallocation of space.
4. Because of the shortage of teaching space, the responsibility for classroom scheduling has been given to the Registrar's Office. There are difficulties with changes in responsibility for class room space, but this should be ameliorated with the installation and use of a new system for classroom space allocation. This new software will allow a much more robust set of constraints on space allocation.
5. A space allocation model has been established to estimate space usage at the department level. The model is currently being validated for approximately 22 departments. The expectation is that the model will allow for rational comparisons between disciplines.
6. There is no expectation of additional funds for a gut rehab in the near future and that all classrooms will be fine.
7. Axel is looking to wrap up the work of the committee in the near future.
8. There was some discussion of a recommendation that Senate representation be added to whatever body is responsible for the actual allocation of space, with the understanding that some group needs to be neutral in space allocation decisions. CAPRA will make this recommendation to the Senate Executive Committee.

### **SCHOOL OF PHARMACY**

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1. There was a general discussion about the School of Pharmacy, including the plans for the University of Binghamton to also establish a School of Pharmacy. Norm Goodman reported that the topic will be addressed further at the meeting later on 4/4 with Senator LaValle.

### **MIDDLE STATES ACCREDITATION**

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1. Norm Goodman reported on the Governance meeting with the Middle States evaluation team. The evaluators took a great interest in the governance issues identified in the 2013 Senate Survey, namely the extent to which Stony Brook administration involve appropriate faculty/staff members in making

decisions that affect them. Norm reported on the frank discussions at the meeting as well and the understanding that the evaluators would most likely address the issue in their final report.

## **NEW BUDGET MODEL**

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1. Deb Dwyer reported that the new budget model will be reported to the Deans at the upcoming Dean's Retreat. The goal for the retreat concerning this topic is to get buy-in with the approach. Once any issues with the Deans have been resolved, the plan will be made public.