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02/18/2009 05:03 PM

Subject Senate letter

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To the University Community:

As the incoming president of the University Senate, I am hoping that the Senate can amplify its role as a constructive and pro-active force for meeting the many challenges Stony Brook faces in the immediate and not-very-distant future. These challenges not only include the pending transition to a new university president and the ongoing state fiscal crisis which will stay with us for at least two more years, but also considerable homegrown challenges that require sustained effort by the campus community.

These issues will be with us for quite a long time, and we are going to have to be patiently engaged before we can begin to see the positive results that we are all hoping and striving for. But I think we can accomplish something positive very quickly: a systematic catalogue of the major challenges that the University is currently confronting or will face in the immediate future. On that point, the Senate needs the immediate help of the entire campus community.

Most particularly, you can provide like three kinds of assistance:

Primarily, simply write back to me with your sense of what the pressing issues are, particularly those issues that you feel could substantially benefit from the active agency of the Senate. You can hit reply to this email to offer your opinions and suggestions.

Second, suggest people who you think can make a useful contribution to developing strategies for addressing these issues.

Third, attend the three remaining University Senate meetings this semester, which will be held March 2, April 13, and May 4. We will announce the locations of these meetings in the next few days.

I know that we are going to need to be both resourceful and patient in working on these many challenges, but I am hopeful that by harnessing the community's energy and creativity, we can help to set a positive trajectory for the university.

Best

Michael Schwartz  
President, University Senate



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Subject THE SENATE MEETING SCHEDULED FOR 3:30 TODAY  
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THE SENATE MEETING SCHEDULED FOR 3:30 TODAY (MONDAY) IS CANCELLED.

THE SENATE WILL MEET NEXT WEEK, MONDAY MARCH 9 AT 3:30.

PLEASE PLAN TO ATTEND, SINCE WE WILL HAVE URGENT BUSINESS RELATING TO THE  
BUDGET CRISIS.



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03/13/2009 11:09 AM

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Subject Senate Resolution

To the Campus Community:

On Monday, March 9, the Stony Brook University Senate passed the following resolution regarding the projected State of New York cuts in the SUNY budget. We will be meeting with state legislators in the next few weeks pointing to the dire consequences of these cuts for the state as a whole and for Stony Brook University's education and research missions hoping to convince the state legislature to reverse some or all of these measures. If you would like to help in our effort, please reply to this message.

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Proposed SBU Senate Resolution on the Effect of the NYS budget cuts

Whereas, the proposed level of budget cuts to SUNY would significantly reduce Stony Brook University's reputation and standing in the academic world by causing a serious loss of quality faculty that will make the recruitment of new talent (faculty and students) almost impossible, and will undermine its high quality academic programs , and

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Whereas, the proposed cuts to support graduate education, specifically the reduction in tuition scholarships and failure to cover the cost of the required tuition increase, will rob New York State and the nation of the educated professionals who will be needed to play a significant role in resolving the current fiscal and social crises that are likely to last for some time, and

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Subject Senate Resolution

To All Faculty, Staff and Students:

To the Campus Community:

In my previous post we sent an incorrect version of the Stony Brook University Senate resolution on New York State Budget Cuts. The correct wording is below.

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Subject SUNY Scholarly Conference

To All Faculty and Staff:

Below are links for the SUNY Scholarly Conference. Anyone can register and attend as an individual for the \$100 registration fee. The line-up for this conference is top-notch, including several of our own Faculty Senate members. There is complete information on our website at:

<http://www.suny.edu/facultysenate>. Here are the individual links to the program and registration.

Complete Program:

[http://www.suny.edu/facultySenate/SUNY%20Scholarly%20Conference%20-%20%20Full%20Master%20Schedule%20%20\(3-9-09\)%20\(3\).pdf](http://www.suny.edu/facultySenate/SUNY%20Scholarly%20Conference%20-%20%20Full%20Master%20Schedule%20%20(3-9-09)%20(3).pdf)

Registration:

<http://guest.cvent.com/i.aspx?4W,M3,73ea49cf-ca67-47c4-8eda-014212892a3c>

Thanks for your help with this and for your contributions to a successful 60th Anniversary Conference!

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Subject Proposed SBU Senate Resolution on the Effect of the NYS  
budget cuts

To All Faculty:

The University Faculty Senate recently passed the resolution you see below. If you would like to support the University's efforts in making our views known to our elected officials, please feel free to do so. The guidelines are important to know:

Letters must be written on your personal stationery, not University stationery;

You are not speaking for the University, but for yourself, but you can state your position within the University;

You may also visit the offices of these elected officials. If you choose to do this it must be reported to the Office of Governmental Relations so that they can include it in their bi-monthly reports to the New York State Commission on Public Integrity (email the date, name of the official or staff, and subject to Linda Larocca: Linda.larocca@stonybrook.edu);

Names and addresses of Long Island State Legislators and Legislative Leadership can be found at the following web address:  
<http://naples.cc.sunysb.edu/Pres/Gov.nsf>

The entire State Legislature membership can be found at the following web addresses:

<http://assembly.state.ny.us/> (New York State Assembly)

<http://www.senate.state.ny.us/senatehomepage.nsf/senators?OpenForm>  
(New York State Senate)

The Resolution:

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Subject University Senate 2009 Call for Nominations

To: Full-Time Faculty in the College of Arts and Sciences, School of Journalism, School of Marine and Atmospheric Sciences, East and West Campus Libraries, Health Sciences Center

March 2009

Dear Colleagues:

The University Senate carries out its responsibility to provide faculty/staff/student input into university decision-making through a governance structure that involves over 150 persons. These people serve as volunteers exercising their responsibilities in a common effort to improve the university.

The Senate performs some business in monthly plenary sessions, but primary business is conducted in standing committees. Listed below are the Senate Standing committees and the faculty member openings to be filled this year:

Academic Planning and Resource Allocation:

- 1 from Health Sciences Center
- 1 from Natural Sciences and math

Administrative Review:

- 1 from Humanities and Fine Arts
- 1 from the Library
- 2 from Natural Sciences and Math
- 1 from Social and Behavioral Sciences

Campus Environment:

- 1 from Health Sciences Center
- 2 from Humanities and Fine Arts
- 1 from the Library
- 1 from Natural Sciences and Math
- 1 from Social and Behavioral Sciences

Computing and Communications:

- 1 from Health Sciences Center
- 1 from Natural Sciences and Math
- 1 from Social and Behavioral Sciences

Graduate Council:

- 1 from Humanities and Fine Arts
- 1 from Social and Behavioral Sciences

Library Promotion and Tenure:

- 1 Non-tenured Librarian from HSC (1-year term)
- 1 from College of Arts and Sciences
- 1 from the Health Sciences Center
- 1 from the Health Sciences Center Library

1 from the Main Campus Library

Library Services:

1 from the Health Sciences Center  
1 from Natural Sciences and Math  
1 from Social and Behavioral Sciences

Research Committee:

2 from Humanities and Fine Arts  
1 from Social and Behavioral Sciences

SPD Council:

1 from Health Sciences Center  
1 from Humanities and Fine Arts  
1 from Natural Sciences and Math  
1 from Social and Behavioral Sciences

Student Life:

1 from Humanities and Fine Arts  
1 from Natural Sciences and Math  
1 from Social and Behavioral Sciences

Undergraduate Council:

2 from Health Sciences Center  
1 from Humanities and Fine Arts

University Affairs:

1 from Health Sciences Center  
1 from the Library  
1 from Social and Behavioral Sciences

Health Sciences Center:

24 At-Large Senators

These positions are open as part of the normal election cycle, and we urge you to volunteer yourself or to suggest colleagues to stand for election. The charge for each committee and the continuing membership for each committee can be viewed on the University Senate website at <http://stonybrook.edu/univsenate> by clicking on "Standing Committees"

This spring there are also vacancies for:

ONE SUNY State-wide Senator from the West Campus and ONE SUNY State-wide Alternate. Please feel free to nominate any faculty or professional for these positions.

ONE position on the FSA Board for an East Campus Professional.

As part of the nomination process, please confirm that your nominee is agreeable to running. Ballots will be prepared for election of nominees according to Senate bylaws. Balloting will take place near the end of April using the Stony Brook Solar System Web Site.

You may make nominations by e-mail to the Senate office secretary, [LTheobalt@notes.cc.sunysb.edu](mailto:LTheobalt@notes.cc.sunysb.edu). In order to get names on the ballot, we will need nominations by April 10, 2009. We appreciate your suggestions very much, especially self-nominations.

Sincerely,

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Subject SUNY STEM Conference

Dear colleagues, faculty, administrators and staff:

This fall SUNY's Office of Diversity and Educational Equity will be hosting a conference titled "Yes We Have! A Showcase of Successful Programs Dedicated to Educating Diverse STEM Students in SUNY and Beyond" <http://www.suny.edu/provost/stem/StemAbout.cfm> . Our goal for this conference is to bring together experts who will present the best means to increase the enthusiasm of diverse students for STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics) disciplines and professions, as well as provide programs that demonstrate success in increasing access, retention and graduation of diverse student populations in STEM majors.

Who is invited? This conference is for State University faculty, professionals and staff. It is designed to examine proven methodologies, strategies and best practices and to encourage the exchange of ideas on the recruitment, retention and graduation of diverse students, particularly those from historically underrepresented groups in the STEM disciplines.

Conference Registration

<http://guest.cvent.com/EVENTS/Info/Summary.aspx?e=7e545caa-c0a7-4a51-8b39-2a3e1553094e>

Conference Travel

<http://www.suny.edu/provost/stem/StemTravel.cfm>

Information

<http://www.suny.edu/provost/stem/StemTravel.cfm>

Conference Agenda

<http://www.suny.edu/provost/stem/StemAgenda.cfm>

Keynote Speakers

Dr. James Applegate

<http://www.suny.edu/provost/stem/StemJamesApplegate.cfm>

Dr. Eloy Rodriguez

<http://www.suny.edu/provost/stem/stembiorodrigues.cfm>



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09/11/2009 10:19 AM

Subject SUNY STEM Conference Update

To All Faculty and Staff

Hello - The following website link is the updated STEM Conference Program Schedule:

<http://www.suny.edu/facultysenate/STEM%20Conference%20Program%20Schedule-%20Draft.pdf>

There is a lot more information here than was available in my previous email.

This is a well-planned program with excellent speakers and presentations. Please share this program widely on your campuses and urge your colleagues to attend. This updated program and the link to register is also posted on the Faculty Senate website at <http://www.suny.edu/facultysenate> so you can direct people there as well.

Here is the link to the registration form that is also on the UFS website: <http://www.suny.edu/provost/stem/StemAbout.cfm>

Thanks for your help with getting word out about this conference.

Carol.

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Subject Respond to the Library Survey

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To: West Campus Faculty

I am writing to urge you to respond to the library survey that was circulated today. It is a very short survey, taking only about five minutes of your time, but it is nevertheless very important, because it will serve as foundational information for the Provost's outside Library Review Committee, which will be visiting the campus next week. The results of the survey will not only provide background data, but also point the committee toward key issues to investigate while they are here. A large and thoughtful response will be especially valuable in our collective effort to give a kick-start to useful improvements in the library.

I particularly urge you to respond to the invitation for comments at the end of the survey. These comments will be separated processed and packaged for the committee, and they can provide ideas and details that would otherwise be unavailable to the review process.

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10/01/2009 12:43 PM

Subject Notice to campus community

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To Stony Brook Faculty, Staff and Students:

On Monday, October 5, at 3:30 PM in Wang Lecture Hall 2, University President Samuel Stanley will appear for the first time before the University Senate. He will be speaking about the challenges facing SBU during the inaugural year of his presidency, and his initial sense of where the University should be moving and how to get there. His address will be followed by an open discussion with University Senators and with interested members of the University community.

All members of the community are invited to attend. The meeting begins promptly at 3:30 PM and is scheduled to end at 5:00 PM.

Michael Schwartz  
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10/28/2009 10:29 AM

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Subject University Senate Meeting November 2 will feature a panel discussion of Stony Brook Southampton

To All Faculty & Staff:

Please mark you calendar for next Monday's Senate meeting (Nov. 2), which will be focused on Stony Brook Southampton. The meeting will feature a panel discussion addressing the full range of issues connected to SBS, including key people involved in the new campus: Provost Eric Kaler, Dean Mary Pearl, former Dean Martin Schoonen, SOMAS Dean David Conover, and Senate SBS Task Force Chair Alan Tucker. There should be ample time for Senators and guests to comment on these issues and to query the panel about current and future development of the campus.

Please remember that the Senate will meet in HSC, Level 2, Lecture Hall 2 at 3:30, with the panel beginning at about 3:50. We hope and expect those interested in this issue to attend and speak to the many issues on the floor.

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Subject University Senate Research Survey

To All Faculty:

Dear Colleague,

With the transition to new leadership at Stony Brook University, now is the time for all faculty to provide input about important matters concerning research at our university, in order to be able to inform decision making in the future.

For this purpose the Research Committee of the University Senate has set up an on-line survey, and asks for your response. The survey, which is anonymous and should not take more than 10 to 15 minutes of your time, is located at:

<https://survey.stonybrook.edu/TakeSurvey.aspx?SurveyID=98M2no2>  
It will be open for the next 10 days.

Please take the time to respond. Your voice is important.

Sincerely,

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The survey will remain open for another week, until Monday, December 7.

If you have not yet done so, please do take the time to respond. Your voice is important.

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Subject TOWN HALL MEETING ON THE NEW HOTEL TO BE  
BUILT ON CAMPUS - Friday 5, 12:30 -2, SAC 302

To All Faculty, Staff and Students:

TOWN HALL MEETING ON THE NEW HOTEL TO BE BUILT ON CAMPUS - Friday 5,  
12:30 -2, SAC 302

Since President Stanley's recent announcement that the long-planned hotel on the campus had been green lighted, there has been considerable concern on campus and in the community about the possible damage to the campus environment resulting from clearing 11 acres of woods.

The Senate is sponsoring a Town Hall Meeting on Friday December 5 at 12:30 in SAC 302 to discuss these concerns.

The formal panel will consist of Vice President for Facilities and Services Barbara Chernow and Distinguished Service Professor Malcolm Bowman, with Senate President Michael Schwartz serving as moderator.

Ms. Chernow is in charge of overseeing the Hotel project and is fully informed on all aspects of the Hotel and its environmental impact. Professor Bowman is an eminent environmental scientist who has been active for many years in preserving and protecting the Stony Brook environment, including the location issues relating to the hotel project.

The meeting will begin with brief presentations by each of the panelists. The moderator will then pose a small number of questions that have been repeatedly raised about the current situation for the panelists to address. The remainder of the session will be devoted to questions and comments from the audience, with the panelists responding, as appropriate, to the audience's contributions. We invite formal positions and queries by interested individuals and groups.

If you are concerned about this issue, please make a point of attending this meeting, which is currently the only scheduled public forum for discussing these questions.

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Subject Town Hall Letter

To All Faculty, Staff and Students:

To the Campus Community:

This is a reminder that the University Senate Town Hall Meeting on the Campus Hotel project will take place Friday December 4 at SAC 302 from 12:30-2:00. If you are concerned with this issue, this will be the main public forum for obtaining information and expressing your views on this matter.

If, as an individual or a group, you want to offer a formal statement regarding this issue, we ask that you notify the senate beforehand (press reply to this message). We invite three minute statements from all interested parties and we will schedule them directly after the formal presentations of the panelists. To claim a place on the agenda, please reply to this message, giving us your group name (if you will be speaking for a group), the name of the person making the presentation, and a brief indication (a few words) of the subject.

Once these brief presentations are completed, we will recognize individual speakers with questions or comments. There should be ample time for questions and comments, so there is no need to notify us beforehand unless you want a scheduled position for a formal statement.

Best,

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Subject SUNY Statewide Strategic Planning Process.

To All Faculty, Staff and Students:

The SBU representatives to the SUNY Statewide Strategic Planning Task Force urge you participation in the planning process:

SUNY Wide Strategic plan: SUNY's role in the economic revitalization and enhanced quality of life for the state of New York  
We would like to inform you of an important development for SUNY. A Strategic Plan for SUNY is being developed that involves all 64 campuses. The first phase was a series of visits to all of the campuses by the new chancellor, Nancy Zimpher. To begin Phase II of the Strategic Plan, SUNY formed a Strategic Planning Steering Committee comprised of campus presidents and other administrators, faculty, students, System administrators, and community members. This Committee established themes and objectives for a series of statewide conversations and will frame a plan of actions necessary to realize the full dimensions of the plan. Campus presidents and SUNY affiliates nominated two hundred people to participate in seven state-wide conversations to take place. These individuals represent a cross section of SUNY stakeholders and include faculty, system and campus administrators, students, alumni, research foundation staff, community leaders and others linked to our campuses.

These seven statewide conversations are being conducted at regional locations selected to maximize outreach and participation. The first three sessions were held in New York City, Troy, and Buffalo, Future meetings will be held at Delhi (January 11th) Stony Brook (February 4th), Plattsburgh (February 8th), and Upstate Medical University in Syracuse (February 22nd). Working groups will be established to deal with specific issues, but the nature of and participation in these working groups have not yet been announced.

We strongly encourage faculty, staff, and students to follow the link and watch the presentations and add comments to the web site. For further information and input, please feel free to contact any of us:  
Norman Goodman (Sociology), Jessica Gurevitch (Ecology and Evolution), or Sharon Nachman (Pediatrics).

<http://www.suny.edu/strategicplan>

Best,  
Michael

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Subject 2010 University Senate Nominations

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Dear Colleagues:

The University Senate is the official vehicle for faculty, staff, and student input into university decision-making. The Senate governance structure that involves several hundred active office holders, including department and at-large senators representing all divisions of the university, and members of a dozen standing and several ad hoc committees. We are currently soliciting candidates for three year terms on the 12 standing committees, which are the main venue where the senate discusses and develops new policies, works with the cognate administrators in assessing and changing current operations, developing new policies, and overseeing administrative performance in their designated area.

The Senate works best when candidates for positions on the standing committees have energy and interest in the issues under consideration, and bring to the committee their own fresh ideas and those of their colleagues about how that area should continue to operate or change in order for the University to function at the highest level. These committees generally meet once a month and consider important current issues related to the general functioning of the University. While these meetings are often intense, only some of the issues considered require outside work by the committee members.

We therefore ask you to consider running for a standing committee in an area that you have interest and energy. We assure you that service on these committees will be fruitful in terms of concrete contributions to the current and future welfare of the University.

We also urge you to suggest colleagues who you feel would be excellent candidates for specific committees. Your suggestions will not be considered nominations; we will write directly to all faculty mentioned and ask if they are willing to run. If you suggest to us the names of qualified colleagues, we can then approach them directly, highlighting the usefulness of service on a specific committee for which they are particularly qualified.

Below are three of the committees for which we are currently soliciting candidates. For each we offer a brief description of the committee's current concerns, to give you a sense of the substantive issues it considers. (You can find more complete information about the committee's charge, recent activities, and current membership at the Senate Website {<http://stonybrook.edu/univsenate> } and clicking on "Standing Committees") For each committee, we also indicate the University divisions for which vacancies will be contested in this year's elections. The five divisions within which elections will be contested are Humanities and Fine Arts (HFA), Social and Behavioral Sciences (SBS), Natural Sciences and math (NSM), Health Science

Center (HSC) and Library (LIB).

#### ADMINISTRATIVE REVIEW COMMITTEE

The charge of the Administrative Review Committee is to evaluate and recommend changes in the performance of the various administrative units on the campus.

In the spring 2010 semester the Administrative Review Committee will be administering a comprehensive faculty/staff survey evaluating administrative performance. After a semester of careful preparation and review, it will be administered online to all Senate eligible faculty and staff. We will process the results of the survey this semester, and prepare a report summarizing the results for the Senate. The committee will also examine the issue of department chair appointments by comparing actual practice to official policy. In the fall, we will be making specific recommendations regarding procedures and performance of administrative units.

Vacancies will be contested in HSC, HFA, NSM and SBS. Please recommend qualified colleagues (including yourself) for this committee by pressing "return" and typing their names, departments, and the committee name.

#### GRADUATE COUNCIL

The charge of the Graduate Council is to "advise the Dean of the Graduate School and monitor all aspects of the University's graduate program". Currently we spend most of our time on reviewing new Master programs which, because of the revenue sharing, are proposed in virtually all disciplines of the University. Our committee tries to be as constructive as possible and it is our aim to end up with a proposal that will be approved with further problems by the SUNY system. We are also reviewing and updating rules and regulations whenever necessary, and students can make their final appeal to the Graduate Council Appeals Committee if disagreements cannot be resolved otherwise.

Vacancies will be contested in HFA and SBS. Please recommend qualified colleagues (including yourself) for this committee by pressing "return" and typing their names, departments, and the committee name.

#### RESEARCH COMMITTEE:

The charge to the Senate Research Committee is to consult with and advise the Vice President for Research, the Provost, and other administrators, on all aspects of the research enterprise and scholarly activities on campus.

In the past semester, the Committee has conducted an online "Faculty Research Survey", which was open to the more than 2700 faculty members on all Stony Brook campuses, and generated more than 630 individual responses. The topics ranged from matters pertaining to start-up packages, funding opportunities, proposal writing and submission, grants and research support, to general questions on the research atmosphere on campus. The committee is presently evaluating



the survey responses, and preparing a report for discussion and distribution by the end of the spring semester. The report will assess weaknesses and strengths in each of these areas, and recommend ways to facilitate the proposal and submission process, streamline grant administration, and remove barriers to research productivity. This work will continue into next year, when we will seek to implement these recommendations, in campus procedures and in the strategic plan.

Vacancies will be contested in HSC, HFA and SBS. Please recommend qualified colleagues (including yourself) for this committee by pressing "return" and typing their names, departments, and the committee name.

You may make nominations either by hitting "return" or by e-mail to the Senate office secretary, [LTheobalt@notes.cc.sunysb.edu](mailto:LTheobalt@notes.cc.sunysb.edu). Please write the nominee's name and department as well as the committee's name. In order to get names on the ballot, we will need nominations by February 15, 2009. We appreciate your willingness to serve as well as your suggestions of people we might contact to consider running.

Sincerely,

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Subject 2010 University Senate Nominations

To: Full-Time Faculty in the College of Arts and Sciences, School of Journalism, School of Marine and Atmospheric Sciences, East and West Campus Libraries, Health Sciences Center

February 2010

Dear Colleagues:

Last week I sent you a message asking you to consider running yourself--or nominating active and interested colleagues---for three of the standing committees of the University Senate: Administrative Review Committee, Graduate Council, and the Research Committee. We received an encouraging response, so we are hopeful to recruit interested faculty for three other committees.

I will not bore you by repeating my previous description of the importance and usefulness of serving on these committees. I will only remind you that there are no qualifications for these committees except interest and energy, that we urge you to volunteer to run and/or to mention the names of colleagues who you think would be interested. If you nominate someone we will ask then them (without pressure) if they are interested in running, so you will not be committing them to anything by mentioning their name.

Below are three of the committees for which we are currently soliciting candidates. For each we offer a brief description of the committee's current concerns, to give you a sense of the substantive issues it considers. (You can find more complete information about the committee's charge, recent activities, and current membership at the Senate Website {<http://stonybrook.edu/univsenate> }and clicking on "Standing Committees") For each committee, we also indicate the University divisions for which vacancies will be contested in this year's elections. The five divisions within which elections will be contested are Humanities and Fine Arts (HFA), Social and Behavioral Sciences (SBS), Natural Sciences and math (NSM), Health Science Center (HSC) and Library (LIB)

#### COMMITTEE ON ACADEMIC PLANNING AND RESOURCE ALLOCATION (CAPRA)

This year, CAPRA has devoted attention to issues of the nature of the academic planning and allocation of resources for the Southampton campus, and is now doing the same for Stony Brook Manhattan. It has been considering what would be required to make the College of Business gain accreditation so as to benefit its graduates. The committee spent considerable time analyzing the proposed Songdo campus in South Korea and has developed a list of concerns that need to be addressed if this is to be a viable enterprise. CAPRA has been examining organizational structure of the campus and, in particular, the flow of funds among administrative offices and the effect of these allocation decisions on academic programs of the campus.

Vacancies will be contested in HFA, HSC, NSM and SBS. Please recommend qualified colleagues (including yourself) for this committee by pressing "return" and typing their names, departments, and the committee name.

#### UNIVERSITY AFFAIRS

The University Affairs Committee has oversight responsibility for Advancement, Alumni Affairs, Publications, Athletics and Governmental Relations. This committee is charged with interaction with and oversight of each of these entities as they work to accomplish their stated mission, goals, and objectives within the Stony Brook University master plan. Although not limited to these actions, committee members meet periodically with directors of these units to address issues and concerns of budget, action plan, evaluation, communication and personnel. This spring and next year the committee's agenda includes evaluating the budget allocations for the Sports Complex renovation and the timeline for the student recreation center. We will be considering the distribution of student fees to various activities around the campus, including the student fee contribution to intercollegiate athletics.

Vacancies will be contested in HFA, HSC, NSM and SBS. Please recommend qualified colleagues (including yourself) for this committee by pressing "return" and typing their names, departments, and the committee name.

#### CAMPUS ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE

The University Environment Committee is an extremely active committee that has developed strong and productive collaborations with the University administration on broadly defined environmental issues ranging from transportation, safety, buildings and infrastructure, the living things of the campuses, and the impact of the University on the surrounding Community. Issues of current focus of the Committee include improving campus transportation efficiency and reducing the impact on the surrounding community of campus automobiles, obtaining protection of the Ashley Schiff Preserve and other potential "living laboratory" areas on campus, enhancing University energy efficiency, and the creation of a campus environmental master plan to guide the long range planning of the University.

Vacancies will be contested in HFA, HSC, and SBS. Please recommend qualified colleagues (including yourself) for this committee by pressing "return" and typing their names, departments, and the committee name.

You may make nominations either by hitting "return" or by e-mail to the Senate office secretary, LTheobalt@notes.cc.sunysb.edu. Please write the nominee's name and department as well as the committee's name. In order to get names on the ballot, we will need nominations by February 15, 2009. We appreciate your willingness to serve as well as your suggestions of people we might contact to consider running.

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Subject 2010 University Senate Nominations

To: Full-Time Faculty in the College of Arts and Sciences, School of Journalism, School of Marine and Atmospheric Sciences, East and West Campus Libraries, Health Sciences Center

March 2010

Dear Colleagues:

I have previously asked you to nominate yourself or suggest possible candidates for six of the twelve standing committees of the University Senate. This week I am asking for help with three additional committees--the Undergraduate Council, the Library Services Committee, and the Student Life Committee; next week will write you about the final three committees. We have received an encouraging response so far, and we are hopeful that you will continue to contribute your own commitment and/or the names of others who we can contact about possible service.

I will not bore you by repeating my previous descriptions of the importance and usefulness of serving on these committees. I will only remind you that there are no formal qualifications for these committees except interest and energy, that we urge you to volunteer to run and/or to mention the names of colleagues who you think might be interested. If you suggest a colleague, we will ask them (without pressure) if they are interested in running, so you will not be committing them to anything by mentioning their name.

Here are three important committees, together with the areas in which vacancies will be contested:

**Undergraduate Council:**

The Undergraduate Council considers all issues that affect undergraduate education. This year, much of our attention has been devoted to curricular issues arising out of the proposed campus in Songdo, Korea, and those caused by the current budget-induced shortfall of course availability. We have also been examining issues related to undergraduate TAs, developing productive coordination between Southampton and the main campus, and the pending revision of the university's general education requirements. In the coming year, the Committee will continue to consider these issues, fitting them into the rubric of the SB Strategic Planning process.

Vacancies will be contested in NSM, SBS, and the LIB. Please recommend qualified colleagues (including yourself) for this committee by replying to ltheobalt@notes.cc.sunysb.edu with their names, departments, and the committee name.

**Library Services:**

The responsibility of the University Senate Library Services

Committee is to advise on all aspects of the library. With representatives drawn from all sectors of campus, and the ex-officio membership of the library director, the committee is well positioned to represent the needs of the diverse constituencies the library serves. We regularly discuss both the budget and the relative allocations to digital and conventional media, as well as the continuous escalation of subscription prices. For the next year we will be providing oversight and policy recommendations for the overhaul of the library initiated this year by Provost Kaler and the interim director, Andrew White. Key issues under consideration include the structure and organization of the library, relations among library personnel, storage of volumes in off-campus facilities, the interlibrary loan program, enhanced student access to the internet, construction of the library at the Southampton campus of Stony Brook University, and connections between the Melville and Health Science Libraries.

Vacancies will be contested in HFA and the LIB. Please recommend qualified colleagues (including yourself) for this committee by replying to [ltheobalt@notes.cc.sunysb.edu](mailto:ltheobalt@notes.cc.sunysb.edu) with their names, departments, and the committee name.

Student Life Committee:

The Student Life Committee is composed of faculty, professional staff, graduate and undergraduate students, and includes as ex officio members the Vice President for Student Affairs and the Dean of Students. This year and next it will continue to address important issues that impact student life at Stony Brook, institutional and student-based responses to the Haitian earthquake, including issues related to campus transportation--including access to off-campus venues, and recommendations for student life initiatives to be included in the Stony Brook strategic plan.

Vacancies will be contested in HSC, NSM and LIB. Please recommend qualified colleagues (including yourself) for this committee by replying to [ltheobalt@notes.cc.sunysb.edu](mailto:ltheobalt@notes.cc.sunysb.edu) with their names, departments, and the committee name.

You may make nominations by e-mail to the Senate office secretary, [LTheobalt@notes.cc.sunysb.edu](mailto:LTheobalt@notes.cc.sunysb.edu). Please write the nominee's name and department as well as the committee's name. In order to get names on the ballot, we will need nominations by March 17, 2010. We appreciate your willingness to serve as well as your suggestions of people we might contact to consider running.

Sincerely,

Michael Schwartz, Ph.D.  
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Subject 2010 University Senate Nominations

To: Full-Time Faculty in the College of Arts and Sciences, School of Journalism, School of Marine and Atmospheric Sciences, East and West Campus Libraries, Health Sciences Center and Stony Brook Southampton.

March 2010

Dear Colleagues:

I have previously asked you to nominate yourself or suggest possible candidates for nine of the twelve standing committees of the University Senate. This week I am asking for help with the last three committees -- the Computing and Communications Committee, the School for Professional Development (SPD) Council, and the Library Promotion and Tenure Committee. We have received an encouraging response so far, and we are hopeful that you will continue to contribute your own commitment and/or the names of others who we can contact about possible service.

I will not bore you by repeating my previous descriptions of the importance and usefulness of serving on these committees. I will only remind you that there are no formal qualifications for these committees except interest and energy, that we urge you to volunteer to run and/or to mention the names of colleagues who you think might be interested. If you suggest a colleague, we will ask them (without pressure) if they are interested in running, so you will not be committing them to anything by mentioning their name.

Here are three important committees, together with the areas in which vacancies will be contested:

#### Computing and Communications Committee

The Computing Committee is beginning its work evaluating the overall computing and communications system at SBU. With the Stony Brook Strategic Plan now under development, next year's work will focus on considering and recommending a major reworking of the current system to bring SBU computing to state-of-the-art levels. All aspects of the system will be scrutinized, available technologies will be identified and evaluated, and recommendations for new systems will be made.

Vacancies will be contested in HFA, NSM, SBS, and HSC. Please recommend qualified colleagues (including yourself) for this committee by replying to [ltheobalt@notes.cc.sunysb.edu](mailto:ltheobalt@notes.cc.sunysb.edu) with their names, departments, and the committee name.

#### School for Professional Development (SPD) Council

The SPD Council considers all issues that affect the School for

Professional Development, working with and overseeing new and continuing programs in the school. Among the agenda items considered this year--and likely to be on the agenda for the next year--have been monitoring, evaluating, and developing the growing curriculum that SPD offers online; seeking to find more productive modes of collaboration between SPD and academic departments on MAT programs; monitoring the Wallace Fellows Program, which is delivering SBU expertise to high school districts on Long Island; and development work for an ambitious new masters degree in higher education administration.

Vacancies will be contested in HFA, NSM, SBS, and the LIB. Please recommend qualified colleagues (including yourself) for this committee by replying to [ltheobalt@notes.cc.sunysb.edu](mailto:ltheobalt@notes.cc.sunysb.edu) with their names, departments, and the committee name.

Library PTC

The Senate Library Promotion and Tenure Committee makes recommendations to the Vice President for Health Sciences for Health Science Library faculty and to the Provost for Main Campus Library faculty concerning all promotions to tenure positions (continuing appointments), or at the level of Associate Librarian and Librarian.

Vacancies will be contested in HSC. Please recommend qualified colleagues (including yourself) for this committee by replying to [ltheobalt@notes.cc.sunysb.edu](mailto:ltheobalt@notes.cc.sunysb.edu) with their names, departments, and the committee name.

You may make nominations by replying to the Senate office secretary, [LTheobalt@notes.cc.sunysb.edu](mailto:LTheobalt@notes.cc.sunysb.edu). Please write the nominee's name and department as well as the committee's name. In order to get names on the ballot, we will need nominations by March 22, 2010. We appreciate your willingness to serve as well as your suggestions of people we might contact to consider running.

Sincerely,

Michael Schwartz, Ph.D.  
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Subject PHEEIA Survey Results

To All Faculty and Staff:

The survey, report and comments of faculty and non-teaching professionals on the pending PHEEIA legislation can now be viewed on the Senate Website at: <http://www.stonybrook.edu/univsenate/>

The three documents consist of:

1. The survey report
2. An appendix containing the questionnaire
3. An appendix with comments written by faculty and staff survey respondents

We welcome comments.

Sincerely,

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Subject A Message from SUNY Senate President Ken O'Brien

To All Faculty and Staff:

Below is a link with a brief message from SUNY Senate President Ken O'Brien regarding the statewide budget situation. The link with the letters contain a longish statement by him describing the recent budget resolution in Albany and its monetary impact on SUNY, and brief responses to this from SUNY Chancellor Zimpher and statewide UUP President Phil Smith.

The short version is that after announcing a \$240 million dollar cut in the core budget for SUNY in the proposed budget, the governor and legislator spent a year negotiating how they might give us some degree of financial relief from this draconian cut (which would mean 630 million in three years), but decided in the end to give us no relief at all, including any of the proposals in the PHEEIA legislation (that the Governor and Senate both endorsed in some version). Zimpher bemoans the results and Smith applauds the defeat of PHEEIA.

<http://www.stonybrook.edu/univsenate/Budgetupdate08-10.shtml>

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Subject 50 Forward Focus Groups

As a part of the Project 50 Forward, Bain & Company, through the University Senate, are organizing a series of focus groups which will provide input to the 50 Forward Steering Committee.

We are seeking volunteers to serve on these focus groups.

These focus groups will be small (fewer than 10 persons). They will be asked to answer some questions, and to provide general input. It is expected that the group will meet for no more than 2 hours.

The focus groups will be aimed at:

- Procurement - this focus group will provide input on designing a future process for buying goods and services for the university.
- Facilities - this focus group will provide input on faculty needs for facilities (e.g. buildings and grounds) and related services such as transportation.
- Administrative services - this focus group will provide input on faculty needs related to administrative services provided within the university such as HR and Finance.
- Revenue opportunities - this focus group will provide input on how to accelerate the universities growth in areas such as research, summer programs, on-line programs, and increasing connection with alumni

If you are interested in participating, and have ideas/opinions in these areas, please send an e-mail to Laurie Theobalt, University Senate Secretary, ltheobalt@notes.cc.sunysb.edu



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Subject Senate Research Survey

Dear Colleague,

As you may recall, some months ago the University Senate's Research Committee gathered your input on important matters concerning Research at our University. Your responses were carefully analyzed and condensed into recommendations, to which Vice President for Research Dr. John H. Marburger, III has provided an official response (see <http://www.stonybrook.edu/research/>). Moreover, the University Senate has approved a resolution that resulted from the survey.

Based on your input and discussions with the OVPR, we are now conducting a follow-up survey specifically about the state of the University's research facilities and infrastructure. The survey aims to evaluate the current state of infrastructure and conditions under which research is performed at the University, and to identify pressing needs.

The survey, which is anonymous and should not take more than 10 to 15 minutes of your time, is located at

<https://survey.stonybrook.edu/TakeSurvey.aspx?SurveyID=965Hno9>

and will be open for the next 10 days.

Please take the time to respond. Your voice is important.

Sincerely,

Fred Walter, University Senate President,  
on behalf of the  
University Senate Research Committee



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Subject URGENT REMINDER - University Senate Research Survey

Dear Colleague,

This is a reminder for you to complete the university senate's survey about the state of the University's research facilities and infrastructure, if you haven't done so already. The survey aims to evaluate the current state of infrastructure and conditions under which research is performed at the University, and to identify pressing needs.

If you are one of the 238 respondents so far, thank you.

Otherwise, the survey, which is anonymous and should not take more than 10 to 15 minutes of your time, is located at

<https://survey.stonybrook.edu/TakeSurvey.aspx?SurveyID=965Hno9>

The survey will remain open for another week, until Monday, December 6.

If you have not yet done so, please do take the time to respond. Your voice is important.

Sincerely,

Fred Walter, University Senate President,  
on behalf of the  
University Senate Research Committee



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Subject 2011 University Senate Nominations

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To: Full Time UUP Faculty and Staff

The University Senate carries out its responsibility to provide faculty/staff/student input into university decision-making through a governance structure that involves over 150 senators elected either as faculty, professional employee, or student representatives. The primary business of the Senate is conducted in standing committees that report to the Senate Executive Committee, which arranges an agenda for consideration of the full Senate at monthly plenary sessions.

I am making a formal call for nominations to all University Senate positions that will become vacant at the end of this semester. Full details on the open positions and how to forward nominations can be found on the University Senate web page at:  
<http://www.stonybrook.edu/univsenate/>  
and click on "Nomination Letter".

Frederick M. Walter  
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Subject University Senate Elections

The 2011-12 senate election ballot is being finalized. If you have volunteered to stand for election, thank you. If not, there are still a number of open, uncontested positions on the University Senate Standing Committees as well as for at-large seats in the Senate.

If you are interested in standing for one of these positions, please contact Laurie Theobalt(ltheobalt@notes.cc.sunysb.edu) before Friday 4/15.

Open University Senate Positions:

Committee on Academic Planning and Resource Allocation:  
1 Social and Behavioral Sciences seat

Administrative Review Committee:  
1 Natural Sciences and Math seat

University Environment Committee:  
1 Humanities and Fine Arts seat

Graduate Council:  
1 Natural Sciences and Math seat

SPD Council:  
1 Social and Behavioral Sciences seat

Undergraduate Council:  
1 Humanities and Fine Arts seat

University Affairs Committee:  
1 Natural Sciences and Math seat

FSA Board:  
1 West Campus Faculty member

At Large Senators:  
5 Humanities and Fine Arts seats  
3 Natural Sciences and Math seats  
4 Social and Behavioral Sciences seats



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Subject Elections - faculty

To: Full-time UUP Faculty

Colleagues:

Online voting for the 2011 elections for the University Senate, the Arts and Science Senate, the West Campus Faculty seat on the FSA board and SUNY State-Wide Senators is now open. Detailed instructions to access your ballot and vote via your Solar System account appear below. Balloting closes on May 13, 2011 at 12:00 a.m.

When you log into your Solar System account, the link to vote is on the right hand side under the Personal Portfolio. Click on the link and select the ballot you want to vote for. When you finish and submit your ballot you will get a message that says "no open elections" This just means that when you submit your ballot you have indeed just voted. Once you have voted the ballot closes for and, in effect, there are no elections open at that point.

Take your time selecting the candidate because once it is saved, you will not be able to vote on that ballot again.





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Subject The University Senate Survey

To: members of the University Senate constituencies  
From: Fred Walter, President, University Senate  
Date: 28 November 2011

Because of some problems with accessibility of the University Senate Survey last week, the survey will remain open through December 9.

You can access it through your Solar account.

If you have not already taken the survey, please do so. Your opinions are important.



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Subject 2012 University Senate Committee Nominations

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To: Full-time UUP West and East Campus Faculty

Dear Colleagues:

The University Senate carries out its responsibility to provide faculty/staff/student input into university decision-making through a governance structure that involves over 150 persons. These people serve as volunteers exercising their responsibilities in a common effort to improve the university.

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- 1 from Health Sciences Center
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- 1 from Humanities and Fine Arts
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Research Committee:

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SPD Council:

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This spring there are also vacancies for:

- \* One SUNY State-Wide Senator (1 from the West Campus).
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As part of the nomination process, please confirm that your nominee is agreeable to running. Ballots will be prepared for election of nominees according to Senate bylaws. Balloting will take place near the end of April using the Stony Brook Solar System Web Site.

You may make nominations by e-mail to the Senate office secretary, [LTheobalt@notes.cc.sunysb.edu](mailto:LTheobalt@notes.cc.sunysb.edu). In order to get names on the ballot, we will need nominations by March 23, 2012. We appreciate your suggestions very much, especially self-nominations.

Sincerely,

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Subject Elections - faculty and professional employees

Colleagues:

Online voting for the 2012 elections for the University Senate, the Arts and Science Senate, the East Campus Faculty/staff seat on the FSA board and SUNY State-Wide Senators is now open. Detailed instructions to access your ballot and vote via your Solar System account appear below. Balloting closes on May 18, 2012 at 6:00 p.m.

When you log into your Solar System account, the link to vote is on the right hand side under the Personal Portfolio. Click on the link and select the ballot you want to vote for. When you finish and submit your ballot you will get a message that says "no open elections" This just means that when you submit your ballot you have indeed just voted. Once you have voted the ballot closes for and, in effect, there are no elections open at that point.

Take your time selecting the candidate because once it is saved, you will not be able to vote on that ballot again.



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Subject Senate/UUP survey on Shared Service Centers

To: All Stony Brook Faculty and Staff in the University Senate  
Constituencies

In its quest to save money and improve operating efficiency, Stony Brook University has been considering implementing Shared Service Centers (SSCs) in the academic areas. As part of the Senate's objective of understanding the process and its ramifications, we have developed a short survey (23 questions) to assess the understanding of the SSCs on the part of the faculty/staff, the expectations you may have for SSCs, and your general reactions to the implementation of SSCs in the academic areas.

The survey can be found at:

<http://uupinfo.org/cgi-bin/rws5.pl?FORM=StonyBrookSurvey>

The UUP assures us that the survey is completely anonymous.

The survey will remain open through May 25.

Thank you in advance for participating.