Minutes of the University Senate Meeting
February 7, 2005

I.   Approval of Tentative Agenda
At 3:35 PM the University Senate President, Brent Lindquist, called the meeting to order. The agenda for the meeting was approved.

II.   Minutes for December 6, 2004
No minutes were recorded at the last meeting.

III. President's Report
(Written Report was submitted to the Senate)

IV.   Provost's Report
(Written Report was submitted to the Senate)

V.   Out of State Recruitment Initiative by Undergraduate Admissions:
Manny London (Associate Provost for Enrollment and Retention Management) and Judy Berhannan (Director of Admissions)

Goals: Increase tuition revenue to offset reduction in state funding for academic needs.
- Last 5 Year Plan = increase out of state enrollment by 30% (20% domestic; 20% international
- NYS tuition for out of state students = very competitive nationally and for the Northeast corridor
- 4 new UG Admissions recruiters have been added to staff
- Focus: NE corridor; locales around national laboratories similar to BNL, alumni, Asia
- Recruiters join 'tours' to reduce cost and to increase visibility
- Applications are up 4% for all new students and 15% for out of state domestic since last year at this time
- Projection = 3 – 5yrs commitment of resources to establish relationships and name recognition worldwide
- Immediate affect on dorms is negligible - Currently the out of state students will replace instate students.
- Student Activities are increasing visibility and weekend events to accommodate needs of various constituencies
- The goal across the board is to increase the student population to 25,000 30% of which will be out of state students.

VI.   Stony Brook Day in Albany: March 1, 2005
Pat Cruso
This advocacy day at the NYS Legislature is expected to have 1,000 from SBU in attendance to meet with representatives. Faculty are requested to treat this day as "campus sanctioned activity" – students will be provided notes that confirm their attendance.

VII. University Senate Plenary Session (Albany) Report
Marge Tumilowicz, Alternate SUNY Senator
See attached report

VIII. Senate President Report
Brent Lindquist
- **Graduation Rates** for students to complete their coursework within 4 years is a concern that has been raised by the media and is being focused on by the SUNY Board of Trustees and the University Faculty Senate. The statistics, albeit not well constructed, show SUNY to be quite high.. even with the private universities nationwide.
- **Academic Bill of Rights** is a document that was introduced by Trustee De Russey to the SUNY Board of Trustees at the last meeting. AAUP is opposed to the adoption of this document by universities across the nation as it requires diversity based on 'religion and politics' rather than on academic diversity.
- **Chancellor King** has suffered some criticism in the media recently and there is already talk of his 'replacement' to be Admiral Ryan of the Maritime Academy who is Pro Temp at Albany.

- ➢ **GED: General Education Assessment** was not to be punitive but there was some concern that a recent FOIL request could have adversely impacted the University with misinterpretation of the raw data. In anticipation of this event SUNY Provost Salins' staff presented the data with excellent reviews from the Board of Trustees and the media. The question remains now as to the attitude that campuses will adopt in developing the assessments for the future since there is no guarantee that the press will continue to treat the results as kindly if there is no accompanying explanation.
- ➢ **Nominations** are requested for the open positions on committees (see the website) as well as for the position of President.
- ➢ **Next month** Dick Mann, VP for Administration will present the plans for reconstruction of the Main Entrance as well as the circle in front of the Administration Building.

A motion to adjourn was made, seconded and passed.
The Senate adjourned at 4:55 PM.

Respectfully submitted by:
Marge Tumilowicz, Secretary