

# Senate Council

Monday, April 4, 2023

The Senate Council met in regular session at 3:00 PM on Monday, April 4, 2023, in 103 Main Building, although a video conference link was also available for members. Below is a record of what transpired. All votes were taken electronically unless otherwise specified. Specific voting information can be requested from the Office of the Senate Council (SC).

Senate Council Vice Chair Leslie Vincent (BE) called the Senate Council (SC) meeting to order at 3:00 PM. The Vice Chair welcomed those present. She informed everyone that the session was being recorded for notetaking purposes and noted that it was an open meeting. She asked that all attendees, online and in person, state their name and affiliation prior to speaking, to ensure everyone knew who was speaking. The Vice Chair asked SC members to be ready to vote via Poll Everywhere. The Vice Chair reminded SC members that regarding the ability to speak, members must raise their hand to be called upon. The Vice Chair also reminded everyone that SC members would have priority speaking, noting that others may be called upon as needed and given a chance to speak only if there were no additional comments from SC members.

The Vice Chair asked everyone to introduce themselves before starting agenda items.

## 1. Minutes from March 27, 2023 and Announcements

The Vice Chair informed SC members that no edits were received to the March 27, 2023 minutes. There being **no objections**, the minutes from March 27, 2023 were **approved as distributed by unanimous consent**.

## 2. Degree Recipients

### a. May 2023 In Memoriam Degree List

Olivia Davis (BE) **moved** for the elected faculty members of SC to recommend Senate approve the May 2023 In Memoriam Degree List, for submission through the President to the Board of Trustees. Elizabeth Salt (NU) **seconded**. There was no debate.

A **vote** was taken, and the motion **passed** with none opposed or abstained.

### b. May-August 2023 Degree List

Olivia Davis (BE) **moved** for the elected faculty members of SC to recommend Senate approve the May-August 2023 Degree List, for submission through the President to the Board of Trustees. Bob Grossman (AS) **seconded**. The Vice Chair opened the floor for questions of fact and debate.

Marilyn Duncan (ME) asked if additions could still be made. Sheila Brothers (SC office) clarified that additions could be made.

A **vote** was taken, and the motion **passed** with none opposed or abstained.

### c. Late Addition to December 2022 Degree List (per *Senate Rules 5.5.1.1.4 ("Late Addition to Degree List")*)

#### i. *College of Education Student SM-71*

The Vice Chair explained the late the addition to December 2022 Degree List. Marilyn Duncan (ME) **moved** for the elected faculty members of SC to recommend the Senate amend the December 2022 degree list by adding the MAC Counselor Education for College of Education Student SM-71 and recommend through the President to the Board of Trustees that the degree

be awarded effective December 2022. Bob Grossman (AS) **seconded**. The Vice Chair opened the floor to members for questions of fact and debate.

Faculty Trustee Aaron Cramer (EN) asked whether the student applied to graduate, noting that this was normally all it took for the student be on the list. Ralph Crystal (ED) clarified that the student didn't apply for the final exam with the Graduate School but did apply to take an exam in the program and was led to believe the Graduate School request for final exam was not needed. Crystal clarified that the student's name did not actually appear on the degree list in December 2022.

A **vote** was taken, and the motion **passed** with none opposed or abstained.

### 3. Committee Reports

#### a. Senate Calendar Committee (SCC) - Richard Charnigo, Chair

The Vice Chair asked SCC Chair Richard Charnigo (PbH) to provide a committee report to SC members.

##### *i. Proposed Change to 2023-24 Dentistry Calendar*

The Vice Chair noted that Dentistry Curriculum Coordinator David Sacks (DE) was the proposer and was in attendance. Charnigo explained the proposed change to the 2023-24 Dentistry Calendar. The Vice Chair stated there was a recommendation from the committee for the Senate to approve the change to the 2023-24 Dentistry Calendar. However, the Vice Chair commented that in accordance with *SR 2.2*, subsection 2, SC traditionally manages changes to calendars on behalf of the Senate. The Vice Chair asked for a motion and second for SC to approve the proposed change to the 2023-24 Dentistry Calendar and report the approval to the Senate.

Molly Blasing (AS) **moved** for SC to approve the proposed change to the 2023-24 Dentistry Calendar and report the approval to the Senate. Bob Grossman (AS) **seconded**. The Vice Chair opened the floor to members for questions of fact and debate. There were no questions or debate.

A **vote** was taken, and the motion **passed** with none opposed or abstained.

##### *ii. Proposed Nonstandard Calendars and Holiday Waivers for PAS 660, PAS 661, PAS 662, PAS 663, PAS 665, PAS 669, PAS 670, PAS 671, and PAS 680*

Charnigo explained the proposed waivers of Reading Days, Prep Days, and the days after Thanksgiving for PAS 660, PAS 661, PAS 662, PAS 663, PAS 665, PAS 669, PAS 670, PAS 671, and PAS 680. The Vice Chair stated there was a recommendation from the committee for the Senate to approve the proposed Nonstandard Calendars and Holiday Waivers for PAS 660, PAS 661, PAS 662, PAS 663, PAS 665, PAS 669, PAS 670, PAS 671, and PAS 680. However, the Vice Chair commented that in accordance with *SR 2.2*, subsection 2, SC traditionally manages changes to calendars on behalf of the Senate. The Vice Chair asked for a motion and second for SC to approve the proposed change to the 2023-24 Dentistry Calendar and report the approval to the Senate.

Bob Grossman (AS) **moved** to approve the waivers of Reading Days, Prep Days, and the days after Thanksgiving for PAS 660, PAS 661, PAS 662, PAS 663, PAS 665, PAS 669, PAS 670, PAS 671, and PAS 680. Marilyn Duncan (ME) **seconded**. The Vice Chair opened the floor to members for questions of fact and debate. Karen Badger (HS) noted a clerical error on the motion in the Poll Everywhere slide which was corrected.

A **vote** was taken, and the motion **passed** with none opposed or abstained.

b. Senate Admissions and Academic Standards Committee (SAASC) – Leslie Vincent, Chair

The Vice Chair noted that since she was running the SC meeting today, SAASC member Scott Yost (EN) would provide a committee report on her behalf.

i. *Proposed Change to MSEDU Instructional Systems Design*

The Vice Chair commented that Associate Professor Kun Huang (ED) was the proposer and was in attendance. Yost explained the proposed change to the MSEDU Instructional Systems Design in the College of Education. The Vice Chair stated the **motion** was a recommendation from the committee for the Senate to approve the proposed changes to the MSEDU Instructional Systems Design in the Department of Curriculum and Instruction in the College of Education. Because the motion came from committee, no **second** was required. The Vice Chair opened the floor to members for questions of fact and debate. There were no questions or debate.

A **vote** was taken, and the motion **passed** with none opposed or abstained.

ii. *Proposed Change to MS Athletic Training*

The Vice Chair commented that Associate Professor Johanna Hoch (HS) was the proposer, but Associate Dean Karen Badger (HS) was attending in her place in case there were questions. Yost explained the proposed change to the MS Athletic Training. The Vice Chair stated the **motion** was a recommendation from the committee for the Senate to approve the proposed changes to the MS Athletic Training in the College of Health Sciences. Because the motion came from committee, no **second** was required. The Vice Chair opened the floor to members for questions of fact and debate.

A **vote** was taken, and the motion **passed** with none opposed or abstained.

iii. *Proposed Change to BS Biomedical Engineering*

The Vice Chair stated that Assistant Professor Fanny Chapelin (EN) and Student Affairs Officer Jessica Ripley were attending in case there were questions. Yost explained the proposed changes to the BS Biomedical Engineering in the College of Engineering. The Vice Chair stated that the **motion** was a recommendation from the committee for the Senate to approve the proposed changes to the BS Biomedical Engineering in the College of Engineering. Because the motion came from committee, no **second** was required. The Vice Chair opened the floor to members for questions of fact and debate.

SC members asked questions about if the stricter standards and increased course load were anticipated to impact enrollment and time to degree. Chapelin clarified that this would not impact enrollment or time to degree.

A **vote** was taken, and the motion **passed** with none opposed or abstained.

c. Senate UK Core Education Committee (SUKCEC) - Keiko Tanaka, Chair

The Vice Chair invited SUKCEC Chair Keiko Tanaka (AG) to provide a report to SC members. The Vice Chair explained that this report was different from others, noting that the SUKCEC was asking if the SC believed there needed to be further review of the policies SUKCEC planned to establish. The Vice Chair commented that after each topic was presented by Tanaka, she would ask for comments on the proposed policies.

i. *Proposed Course Substitution Policy to Satisfy the Quantitative Reasoning Core Requirement ('Quantitative Foundations' and 'Statistical Inferential Reasoning')*

Tanaka explained the Quantitative Reasoning requirement to SC members and then explained the proposed course substitution policy to satisfy the Core requirements for Quantitative Reasoning ('Quantitative Foundations' and 'Statistical Inferential Reasoning') for students with learning disabilities. Tanaka provided information about the background of the proposal as well, as well as described the current process of the Disability Resource Center. The Vice Chair opened the floor to members for discussion to determine if SUKCEC needed to take additional action.

SC members discussed the following:

- If the advisor was faculty or staff (Tanaka clarified this would be the Director of Undergraduate Studies or their designee)
- If the intention was to codify this policy into the SRs (Tanaka responded that it was not)
- Current procedures for the course substitution policy

Tanaka noted that she preferred the Senate Committee for Disability Accommodation and Compliance (SCDAC) review the documentation to ensure the proposal was in compliance with organizations like the ADA. SC members agreed this was a good course of action.

ii. *Proposed Change to Policy on Education Abroad Courses*

Tanaka explained the current policy on Education Abroad courses and explained the proposed change to the policy on Education Abroad courses. SC members asked for a few points of clarification about the policy. The Vice Chair asked if Tanaka was willing to report the proposed change to Senate and Tanaka said she was.

*Suggested Updates to UK Core Website and Exception Form*

Tanaka explained the suggested updates to the UK Core website and UK Core Exception form. The Vice Chair asked SC members for a motion to approve the change to the UK Core exception form. Molly Blasing (AS) **moved** to approve the change to the UK Core exception form and refer to the policies in the SRs. Olivia Davis (BE) **seconded**. The Vice Chair opened the floor to members for questions of fact and debate.

A **vote** was taken, and the motion **passed** with none opposed or abstained.

iii. *Process for Waivers of SR 3.1.1.1.3 ("Foreign Languages")*

Tanaka explained the process for Waivers of SR 3.1.1.1.3 ("Foreign Languages"). The Vice Chair explained that the Chair suggested that SC asked the Undergraduate Council (UC) to look into the process the next year, noting the UC's wide variety of representation. SC members briefly discussed the importance of involving representation from units such as the Department of Modern & Classical Languages, Literature & Cultures, the Department of Hispanic Studies, and the Department of Linguistics.

The Vice Chair thanked Tanaka for her report.

d. Senate Academic Programs Committees (SAPC) – Sandra Bastin, Chair

The Vice Chair invited SAPC Chair Sandra Bastin (AG) to provide a report to SC members. The Vice Chair stated that Bastin would explain the five related proposed USPs and that SC members would consider them as one item during a vote.

- i. *Proposed New USP BA/BS Communication and MA Communication*
- ii. *Proposed New USP BA/BS Journalism and MA Communication*
- iii. *Proposed New USP BA/BS Media Art and Studies and MA Communication*
- iv. *Proposed New USP BA/BS Integrated Strategic Communication and MA Communication*
- v. *Proposed New USP BA/BS Information Communication Technology and MA Communication*

Bastin explained the five related USPs. The Vice Chair stated that the **motion** was a recommendation from committee for Senate to approve the proposed five new USPs (BA/BS Communication, BA/BS Journalism and Media, BA/BS Media Art and Studies, and BA/BS Integrated Strategic Communication, and BA/BS Information Communication Technology, each with the MA Communication). Because the motion came from committee, no **second** was required. The Vice Chair opened the floor for questions of fact and debate.

A **vote** was taken, and the motion **passed** with none opposed or abstained.

- vi. *Proposed Changes to Senate Rules Related to University Scholars Programs (USPs)*

The Vice Chair stated Acting Dean Martha Peterson (GS) was in attendance in case any questions arose. Bastin explained the proposed changes to the *Senate Rules* related to the University Scholars Programs (USPs). The Vice Chair stated the **motion** was a recommendation from committee for the Senate to approve the proposed changes to the *Senate Rules* related to University Scholars Programs (USPs). Because the motion came from committee, no **second** was required. The Vice Chair opened the floor for questions of fact and debate.

A **vote** was taken, and the motion **passed** with none opposed or abstained.

e. Senate Academic Organization and Structure Committee (SAOSC) – Gregg Rentfrow, Chair

The Vice Chair invited SAOSC Chair Gregg Rentfrow (AG) to provide a report to SC members.

- i. *Proposed Name Change from the College of Engineering to the Stanley and Karen Pigman College of Engineering*

The Vice Chair stated that Dean Rudy Buchheit (EN) was the proposer and in attendance. Rentfrow explained the proposed name change from the College of Engineering to the Stanley and Karen Pigman College of Engineering. The Vice Chair stated the **motion** was a recommendation from committee for the Senate to endorse the proposed name change from the College of Engineering to the Stanley and Karen Pigman College of Engineering. Because the motion came from committee, no **second** was required. The Vice Chair opened the floor to members for questions of fact and debate.

SC members briefly discussed how the name would impact grant opportunities. Buchheit explained that visibility was enhanced in general with a name change like this and that the gift associated with the name change itself was already yielding positive results with a research fund match.

A **vote** was taken, and the motion **passed** with none opposed or abstained.

#### 4. Tentative Senate Agenda for Monday, April 10, 2023

The Vice Chair explained the tentative Senate Agenda for Monday, April 10, 2023, noting that Senior Associate Provost Katie Cardarelli would not be present for the Senate meeting. The Vice Chair also suggested that some of the curricular proposals be placed on the consent agenda. SC members made the following revisions to the Senate Agenda for Monday, April 10, 2023:

- Place the five USPs on the consent agenda
- Incorporate the SUKCEC report on Education Abroad courses into the Chair's report
- Place items from SAASC on the consent agenda
- Place the Graduate Certificate in Teaching Nursing on the consent agenda

Marilyn Duncan (ME) **moved** to approve the revised tentative agenda for the Monday, April 10 meeting as an ordered list, unless it needed to be rearranged to accommodate a guest's schedule. Molly Blasing (AS) **seconded**. There was no debate.

A **vote** was taken, and the motion **passed** with none opposed or abstained.

#### 5. Items from the Floor

The Vice Chair welcomed items from the floor.

Bob Grossman (AS) presented an issue regarding water pressure issues in various campus buildings. Molly Blasing (AS) added that there were issues with potable water on certain floors in the Patterson Office Tower. Provost Bob DiPaola agreed to follow up on issues related to water in campus buildings.

The meeting was adjourned at 4:35 PM with **no objections**.

Respectfully submitted by,  
Leslie Vincent

Prepared by Katie Silver on Tuesday, April 4, 2023

SC Members Present: Bastin, Blasing, Cramer, Davis, Duncan, Grossman, Raglin, Salt, Swanson, Vincent

Invited Guests Present: Karen Badger, Sheila Brothers, Rudy Buchheit, Fanny Chapelin, Richard Charnigo, Robert DiPaola, Kun Huang, Anthony Limperos, Martha Peterson, Jessica Ripley, Gregg Rentfrow, David Sacks, Keiko Tanaka, Scott Yost