

## **STONY BROOK UNIVERSITY SENATE**

### **Campus Environment Committee**

Meeting of September 14, 2022, 1:00-2:30 pm  
Virtual meeting on Zoom.

Meeting called to order by Thomas Wilson: 1:08pm

TW - New membership update

- Giacinto Piacquadio new member from physics and astronomy
- Went around the room to introduce ourselves.

TW Senate bylaws update

- Committee chair elections required yearly
- Last year of his the second term
- TW willing to serve as chair on final year

TW - Does anyone else wish to stand for election?

- If not then TW will serve another year.
- Voting
  - Mona Ramonetti first
  - Dan Amarante second
  - Tom has the job one more year

Consideration of minutes from the last meeting

- Mona accepts
- Dan Amarante seconds the minutes

Chair report

- TW - None

TW - 2 open seats on the committee

- Locations include HSC and SBS
- TW - If you know anyone from this area interested, we will forward to exec comm and then appt them for the remainder of the year.
- Malcolm asked when he was bounced off
  - TW- Everyone is welcome to participate.
  - TW hoping to retire in 2024 so have new leadership take his place in Fall 2023.

All minutes and reports for last five years have been sent to the Senate secretary Nazanin Karimi, who will be posting them on the Senate website. Chair has also sent reference information such as University boundary lines.

## Plans and projects for the upcoming year

- Report on clean energy master plan will be the big project for this year
- Is anyone else interested in working on that group to help present that report to the Senate. Group is currently Chris Sellers and Dan Amarante, Malcolm Bowman volunteers in addition.
- Ashley Schiff preserve.
  - TW - We made progress but also have hit some road blocks.
  - Maybe talk to Senate and get a meeting
  - Talk about tactics.
  - Malcolm recommended maybe making this a SUNY wide initiative is an approach and we need to educate the President.
- TW - The env comm is going to get their slot sometime in the coming months to conduct a presentation maybe for Ashley Schiff and have another resolution passed.
- TW - interested in hearing other people's thoughts. Some other thoughts on moving the ball down the field.
- Fred - A presentation to the Senate is a good start.
- TW - We need to make sure the President is in audience
- Malcolm - He can arrange to have specific people at the meeting
- Fred - Shouldn't put the President on the spot. We should have the Senate support our resolution.
- TW - We should ask for a written response from her.
- Mona - Do we know her reasoning why she would not back the Ashley Preserve resolution.
- TW - curious about the percentage of land vs the size of the campus
- Malcolm - we need to have the students behind this resolution. Malcolm talked about the support signatures for Ashley Schiff.
- Fred - There are other areas that are preserved that we need to take into consideration as well
- TW - Ashley Schiff has more historical value.
- Malcolm - discussed some of the historical issues that have occurred because of poor planning.

## What will be brought to the Senate

- Energy report
- Ashley Schiff
- Parking
- Bike safety improvement
- Fred - Fred will help to flush out what needs to be presented to the Senate this year.

## TW - Any other projects that people want to take on this year.

- Malcolm – Level survey of Lake Brianna
  - Several years of level and rainfall data they need to write up the data
  - Need to find a student that can help to crunch the data.
  - TW - Malcolm if you find a student then he will get them the data.

- Anything else let TW know.

TW - should we drop the COVID conversation

- Malcolm received his new booster
- Fred - where is available
- Malcom - Old town road rite aid.
- TW - provided a testing location update.

Gary

- Parking
- Malcolm engineering bldg?
- Gary may be brought in CPDC on construction activities.

Bike

- TW - electric alternative transportation
- Fred - Bike

Mtg times

Have not heard from anyone

He will keep as is if he doesn't hear anything

Fred - observation

- Old h lot not full or used for parking
- Tw - benefit of people working from home helps the parking situation here.

Old business

- None

New business

- Malcolm - how do we engage new leadership?
- TW - he thinks we are in a good position but need until we have senior leadership in place.
- Gary - updated group on the new leadership and will work to clarify who the new liaisons are.

The meeting was adjourned at 1:57 pm.

Respectfully presented

Clifford Knee