

**RUTGERS, THE STATE UNIVERSITY OF NEW JERSEY
UNIVERSITY SENATE**

MINUTES: Organizational Meeting of the University Senate

DATE: April 27, 2018

TIME AND PLACE: 10:00 a.m., Multipurpose Room, College Avenue Student Center, College Avenue Campus

MEMBERS PRESENT: Acosta, Alizadeh, Ardeshtna, Aubert, Awan, Barbarese, Bekdash, Bhuyan, Boikess, Bora, Borisovets, Brewster-Bauzyk, Bridgeman, Bugel, Carvajal, Chunn, Cummings, D'Anna, Dasari, DiLalo, Dowlin, Dreyer, Emmons, Esposito, Everett, Fagan, Fellenz, Field, Fitzgerald-Bocarsly, Gillett, Gould, Graber, Guo, Gursoy, Hartman, Heckscher, Honeycutt, Hunter, Hunter-Fratzola, Jarrin, Kabia, Kaminskis, C. Kane, E. Kane, Langer, LaPointe, Lee, Lema, B. Lewis, Lindboe, Little, LoGrippo, Lombardi, MacPherson, Maglione-Rico, Mahajan-Cusack, Mammis, Mancini, Marchetta, Markert, Masiello, Matto, McKeever, Menifield, Norville, O'Brassill-Kulfan, Oleske, Oliver, Owens, Pagan, Pappas, Pardlo, Parsa, Paskhover, A. Patel, B. Patel, M. Patel, S. Patel, Patton, Perez, Pichugin, Pinto-Figueroa, Ponzio, Porumbescu, Powell, Puhak, Rabinowitz, Rajan, Ravichandran, Raza, Rivera, Rosen, Rothpletz-Puglia, Sanchez, Sanders, Schwartz, Serrano, Sesti, Soto, Spiegel, Steinberg, Szatrowski, Takhistov, Tharney, Thompson, Thomson, Thuravil, Torres, Tracey, Trees, Tsakalagos, Van Stine, Vidal, Yang, Zhang

EXCUSED: Barchi, Collins, Dane, Ebert, Goldfarb, Gonzalez, Gross, Han, Hanna, Jeorgensen, A. Johnson, Junboonta, Kelly, Kustka, Lutz, Maloney, Marsci, Mena-Segovia, Miller, O'Connor, O'Neill, Parrish, Puar, Saltzman, Schneider, Shinbrot

ABSENT: Alidou, Artun, Balaguru, Barone, Blanchett, Brunson, Bubb, Butterfield, Cahill, Cantor, Carty, Chen, Conway, Covington, Craig, DeFilippis, Denham-Barrett, Dutta, Eastman, Eaton, Eisenstein, Farmbry, Farris, Feldman, Filippelli, Gabriel, Ganesh, Ghesnai, Goodman, Gower, Greenberg, Haddon, Haltkis, Hatefi, Holzemer, Iannini, R. Johnson, Kettle, Kukor, Lei, J. Lewis, Lindenmeyer, Lugg, Mahon, Mansukhani, B. Murphy, K. Murphy, Pandey, C. Potter, J. Potter, Pradhan, Schiavo, Sen, Settimo, A. Shah, C. Shah, Shapses, Stauffer, Strom, Wilde, Williams

ATTENDANCE SUMMARY: **Faculty:** Of 107 total: 65 present (61%), 20 excused (18%), 22 absent (20%); **Students:** Of 32 total: 24 present (75%), 3 excused (9%), 5 absent (16%); **Administrators:** Of 39 total: 3 present (8%), 2 excused (5%), 35 absent (90%); **Staff:** Of 19 total: 17 present (90%), 1 excused (5%), 1 absent (5%); **Alumni:** Of 6 total: 6 present (100%), 0 excused (0%), 0 absent (0%)

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PRESIDING OFFICER: Peter Gillett, Chairperson

CALL TO ORDER AND DETERMINATION OF A QUORUM: Chairperson Gillett called the first meeting of the 2017-2018 Rutgers University Senate to order at 10:00 a.m. in the Multipurpose Room, College Avenue Student Center, College Avenue Campus, New Brunswick. He welcomed all attendees, and extended a special welcome to new Senators.

REPORT OF THE SECRETARY - Mary Mickelsen, Executive Secretary of the University Senate

- **Agenda:** The meeting's [agenda](#) was approved by the Senate.
- **Committee Preferences:** Secretary Mickelsen directed the Senate to online resources to guide Senators' choices of standing-committee membership preferences, including the committees' [standing charges](#), [pending charges](#), and a [committee-preference form](#), and reminded everyone to send her their preferences.
- **Schedule of 2018-19 Senate and Executive Committee Meetings:** Mickelsen asked the Senate to add to their calendars the [dates of next year's Senate meetings](#).

PRIVILEGE OF THE FLOOR: Privilege of the floor was granted to Nominating Panel Chair Ann Gould, a member of the 2017-18 and 2018-19 Senates.

REPORT OF THE NOMINATING PANEL: Nominating Panel Chair Ann Gould presented the report of the Nominating Panel.

Senator Gould gave a brief overview of the nominating and election process, as well as the runoff procedure for at-large faculty Executive Committee member elections. Gould said that any candidates nominated from the floor must be certified on the Senate roster in order to be added to the ballot.

Gould announced candidates for all positions, calling for nominations from the floor in each category.

The nominations completed, including those made from the floor, the resultant slate of candidates was:

Chair (who serves *ex officio* as Representative to the Board of Governors): Peter Gillett, RBS:UNB (Faculty)

Vice Chair: Jon Oliver, Staff-New Brunswick (Staff)

Faculty Members of the Executive Committee, Camden: Babu Dasari, UC-Camden (Faculty)

Faculty Members of the Executive Committee, Newark: Natalie Borisovets, Libraries, Newark (Faculty)

Faculty Members of the Executive Committee, New Brunswick: Robert Boikess, At-Large NB (Faculty); William Field, SAS-NB (Faculty); Ann Gould, SEBS (Faculty)

Faculty Members of the Executive Committee, RBHS: Michael Kelly, RWJMS (Faculty); James Oleske, RBHS-CBI (Faculty)

Part-Time Lecturer/Annual Appointee Faculty Member of the Executive Committee: Karen Thompson, PTL-NB

Camden Student Member of the Executive Committee: Michael Van Stine, Graduate School - Camden (Student)

Newark Student Member of the Executive Committee: Victoria Carvajal, Law-N (Student)

New Brunswick Student Member of the Executive Committee: Julieline Serrano, SAS-NB (Student)

RBHS Student Member of the Executive Committee: [There was no nominee for this position. An election will be conducted at the September 2018 Senate meeting.]

Alumnus Member of the Executive Committee: Jennie Owens, Alumni Association; Houshang Parsa, Alumni Association

Staff Senator Member of the Executive Committee: Adrienne Esposito, Staff-New Brunswick; Tina Pappas, Staff-New Brunswick

Faculty Representative to the Board of Governors: Anil Ardeshta, RSDM (Faculty); Alexander Pichugin, At-Large NB (Faculty); Samuel Rabinowitz, SB-C (Faculty)

Student Representative to the Board of Governors: Muhammad Ibrahim Awan, Engineering (Student); Nicole Lema, SAS-NB (Student); Meet Patel, SAS-NB (Student)

Faculty Representatives to the Board of Trustees: Mary Jo Bugel, At-Large RBHS (Faculty); Boris Paskhover, NJMS (Faculty); Robert Schwartz, NJMS (Faculty); Menahem Spiegel, RBS-N/NB (Faculty)

Undergraduate Student Representative to the Board of Trustees: Ilce Perez, SAS-NB (Student), Zefu Zhang, RBS:UNB (Student)

Graduate Student Representative to the Board of Trustees: Nathan Honeycutt, SGS (Graduate Student)

Candidates who wished to do so were given time to make statements in support of their candidacy.

A runoff election was conducted for all full-time faculty members of the Executive Committee based on the above slate so that those nominees who did not prevail in the contested New Brunswick, Newark, and RBHS Faculty EC categories could be placed in the at-large category.

VOTING AND COLLECTION OF BALLOTS: Voting was done on paper ballots prepared by the executive secretary and distributed at sign-in only to voting members of the 2017-18 Senate. Enidyaj Turner, the Senate's Work/Study Student, and Viktor Krapivin, 2017-18 SAS-NB Student Senator and graduating senior, collected and tabulated the ballots.

[Secretary's Note: Election results were announced during the subsequent Senate regular meeting, and posted on the Senate website Monday, April 30, as follows:]

Chair: Peter Gillett, RBS:UNB (Faculty)

Vice Chair: Jon Oliver, Staff - New Brunswick (Staff)

Executive Committee Full-Time Faculty, Camden: Babu Dasari, UC-Camden (Faculty)

Executive Committee Full-Time Faculty, Newark: Natalie Borisovets, Libraries, Newark (Faculty)
Executive Committee Full-Time Faculty, New Brunswick: Ann Gould, SEBS (Faculty)
Executive Committee Full-Time Faculty, Rutgers Biomedical and Health Sciences: James Oleske, RBHS-CBI (Faculty)
Executive Committee Full-Time Faculty, At-Large: William Field, SAS-NB (Faculty); Michael Kelly, RWJMS (Faculty)
Executive Committee Student, Camden: Michael Van Stine, Graduate School - Camden (Student)
Executive Committee Student, Newark: Victoria Carvajal, Law-N (Student)
Executive Committee Student, New Brunswick: Julieline Serrano, SAS-NB (Student)
Executive Committee Student, Rutgers Biomedical and Health Sciences:
Executive Committee Alumnus: Jennie Owens, Alumni Association
Executive Committee Part-Time Lecturer/Adjunct Faculty: Karen Thompson, Part-Time Lecturer-New Brunswick (Faculty/PTL)
Executive Committee Staff Member: Tina Pappas, New Brunswick Staff (Staff)
Board of Governors Faculty Representative: Samuel Rabinowitz, School of Business-Camden (Faculty)
Board of Governors Student Representative: Nicole Lema, SAS-NB (Student)
Board of Trustees Faculty Representatives: Mary Jo Bugel, At-Large RBHS (Faculty); Robert Schwartz, NJMS (Faculty)
Board of Trustees Undergraduate Student Representative: Ilce Perez, SAS-NB (Student)
Board of Trustees Graduate Student Representative: Nathan Honeycutt, SGS (Graduate Student)

ADJOURNMENT: Chairperson Gillett adjourned the Organizational Meeting at 11:27 p.m.

Minutes Written and Submitted by:
Mary Mickelsen, Executive Secretary of the University Senate