

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

MINUTES: Regular Meeting of the University Senate

DATE: October 21, 2022

TIME AND PLACE: 1:10 p.m., Remote via Zoom

MEMBERS PRESENT: Abdelwahab, Abuattieh, Adamo, Alizadeh, Allamand, Allen, Amjad, Anderson, Andrews, Ardeshtna, Aubry, Bachmann, Barlow, Bhattacharya, Bhavaraju, Bogden, Boikess, Boison, Borisovets, Boucher, Boxer, Bridgeman, Brienza-Arcilla, Caponegro, Carpenter, Cary, Chefitz, Clarke, Cooper, Conway, Copeland, Dai, Dane, Den Bleyker, Drazer, Dyckman, Eastman, Esposito, Farmer, Fatahzadeh, Figueira, Foster, Gahlawat, Galsim, Giraud, Gomes, Gong, Gower, Graham, Granadeiro, Gursoy, Haley, Havaland, Hewitt, Holloway, Holmes, Hunter, Jaffe, Javanmard, Joergensen, Kaplan, Kelly, Kettle, Kiss, Kolben, Kothari, LaMorte, Ladell, Losada, Lyles, Mahajan-Cusack, Malin, Mansukhani, Manzini, Marchetta, Markert, McKeever, Meshoyrer, Miller, Morton, Mukherjee, Nayar, O'Halloran, Oberle, Oladimeji, Oliver, Olivera, Ortiz, Osorio-Fernandez, Ozel, Parsa, P. Patel, S. Patel, Pichugin, Pierce, Pintar, Pistell, Poole, Pihoda, Rabinowitz, Roth, Saltzman, Savage, Schroth, Schwartz, Scott, Shih, Shinbrot, Siederer, Simonds, Smart, Smith, Sonnenberg, Spiegel, Stephens, Struble, Swamy, Szatrowski, Takhistov, Tewfik, Thompson, Todorinova, E. Torres, J. Torres, Valverde, Van Stine, Vellangany, Volino, White, Wirtenberg, Zhang

MEMBERS EXCUSED: Kahanda, Kahng, Kustka, Levine, Lutz, Matto, Nucci, O'Connor, Quincy, Schnetzer, Sharma

MEMBERS ABSENT: Abuliak, Adya, Alkhwekhi, Ameri, Anderson Eloy, Askew, Baldi, Barone, Bhuyan, Blanchett, Campbell, Cantor, Choo, Cole, Lee Crutcher, Cuitiño, Davidson, Davis, Eaton, Edelstein, English, Everett, Feldman, Fellenz, Flynn, Fudge, Geary, Jon Griffin, Guo, Halkitis, Hatefi, Henderson, Hien, Irizarry, Johnson, Kretov, Lawson, Lei, Lopez, Mahon, March, Mazurek, McCarthy, Menifield, Mittal, Moghe, Murtha, Mutcherson, Niaz, Nolan, O'Toole, Papakonstantinou, Pedersen, C. Potter, J. Potter, Ramirez, Roy, Rush, Shah, Shapiro, Shapiro, Shome, J. Smith, Srivastava, Strom, Tare, Tillis, Tsakalagos, Vadapalli, Wang, Whitehead, Zolezi

CALL TO ORDER, DETERMINATION OF A QUORUM, AND CHAIR'S REPORT – Adrienne Simonds, Chair

Chair Simonds called the meeting to order at 1:11 p.m. She noted the fall semester is now fully underway, and hoped senators have the opportunity to build in time for rest and reflection. At this meeting, the Senate welcomes President Jonathan Holloway with an administrative report and Dr. Eduardo Molina, Vice President for Institutional Research and Decision Support. At its last meeting, the Executive Committee discussed Zoom settings for Senate meetings. In the future, all participants will be muted during speaker presentations, and then will be able to

unmute for the Q&A session. Senators can request to speak by raising their hand in Zoom. Chat will be enabled.

SECRETARY'S REPORT – Vicki Hewitt, Executive Secretary

- **Agenda:** The meeting agenda was approved.
- **Minutes:** The [minutes](#) of the Sept. 23, 2022 Senate meeting were approved as distributed by the Executive Secretary.
- **Communications:**
 - Following an Executive Committee vote, fall Senate meetings will be held on Zoom only. The Senate luncheon has been postponed to the Spring semester.
 - Senators are reminded to log in to the Senate website for attendance and voting access.
- The following University policies were recently reviewed/updated:
 - [University Policy 80.1.2 Rutgers University Trademark Management and Licensing Policy](#)
 - [University Policy 60.1.36 Immunization Policies for University Affiliates](#)
 - [University Policy 10.1.14 Endowed Faculty Positions](#)
 - [University Policy 80.1.3 Purchase of External Advertising](#)

ADMINISTRATIVE REPORT - Jonathan Holloway, President and University Professor

President Holloway provided the Administrative Report consisting of the following topics:

- Visit to the Rutgers Marucci Blueberry and Cranberry Research and Extension Center
- Visit to RUCOOL (Rutgers University Center for Ocean Observing Leadership)
- Student award finalists, including the Schwartzman Scholarship and the Mitchell Scholarship
- Women's soccer and field hockey team rankings
- Changes to COVID protocols
- Revenue from the Big 10 media contract

President Holloway then answered questions on the following topics:

- Athletics debt
- Classroom masking protocol
- Follow-up on recommendations from S-1909-1: Searches for University Leadership
- Search committees for open dean positions
- Union negotiations
- Results of the Newark LCME review
- Petition to join two unions together
- Update on the Rutgers Summer Service Internship Initiative
- Transitioning part-time lecturers teaching full-time course loads to non-tenure-track faculty lines

- Potential merger of the Robert Wood Johnson Medical School and New Jersey Medical School

INSTITUTIONAL RESEARCH AND BEST PRACTICES FOR SURVEY DESIGN – Eduardo Molina, Vice President for Institutional Research and Decision Support

RESULTS OF THE SPECIAL ELECTION FOR STUDENT AND ALUMNI EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE AND BOARD REPRESENTATIVE POSITIONS

Executive Committee Alumni Representative: Tom Struble, Alumni Association

Executive Committee Student Representative – Newark: Tiffany Olivera, Graduate School-Newark

Executive Committee Student Representative – RBHS: Jezebel Ortiz, School of Nursing

Board of Trustees Undergraduate Student Representative: Fauzan Amjad, School of Arts and Sciences-NB

Board of Trustees Graduate Student Representative: Timothy Pistell, New Jersey Medical School

COMMITTEE REPORTS/RESOLUTIONS

Information Technology Committee (ITC)

[Response to S-2109 Communication Mechanisms Regarding Major Changes in IT Applications](#)

Adrienne Esposito and Katie Anderson, ITC Co-Chairs

The ITC was charged as follows: *Investigate the existing mechanisms for communication regarding changes in major IT applications. Propose additional mechanisms that would engage the Senate, through its IT Committee, in such communications and decisions about major IT application changes that would affect major University constituencies. (See [Senate Resolution S-1801](#))*

Senator Esposito presented this report and resolutions to the Senate. The resolutions were adopted.

OLD BUSINESS

There was no old business.

NEW BUSINESS

There was no new business.

SENATE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE REPORT

Vice Chair Foster reported on the October 7, 2022 Senate Executive Committee Meeting.

REPORTS OF THE REPRESENTATIVE TO THE BOARDS OF GOVERNORS AND TRUSTEES

Senator Rabinowitz reported on the Board of Governors meeting. Senator Dane reported on the Board of Trustees meeting.

REPORTS OF CAMPUS FACULTY AND STUDENT LIAISONS

Senator Rabinowitz reported on behalf of Camden Faculty. Senator Van Stine reported on behalf of Camden Students. Senator Markert reported on behalf of Newark Faculty. Senator Olivera reported on behalf of Newark Students. Senator Ozel reported on behalf of New Brunswick Faculty. Senator Gahlawat reported on behalf of New Brunswick Students. Senator Roth reported on behalf of RBHS Faculty. RBHS Students had no report.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 3:51 p.m.

Minutes prepared by:

Vicki Hewitt, Executive Secretary of the University Senate