UNIVERSITY FACULTY MEETING MINUTES
MONDAY, OCTOBER 23th, 2018

For attendees, please see attachment A1.

The meeting was called to order at 3:03 pm.

I. The minutes of the May 2, 2018 minutes were approved.

II. Report of the Speaker of the Faculty, Stuart Bass
Prof. Bass convened the meeting by reporting that on Tuesday, October 30, at 2pm in the Student Center Theater, the Provost’s Office, Vice President for Student Affairs and the Speaker’s Office will be presenting a follow up information session on campus safety and security. Present will be Vice President for Facilities, Director of Public Safety and representatives from the Nassau County Police Department and Homeland Security. This will be a university wide meeting. All faculty, students and staff are encouraged to attend.

III. Address by President Stuart Rabinowitz followed by Q&A
Prof. Bass introduced President Rabinowitz who addressed the faculty (Attachment to be emailed at a later date).

IV. Brief Announcement from the Deputy Director of Athletics, Jay Artinian
Deputy Director Artinian announced that there will be a faculty and staff appreciation day on November 9th in the Mack Arena. Hofstra Men’s and Women’s Basketball hosts a doubleheader. Faculty and staff will get four tickets and a $10.00 concession voucher. To pick up your tickets and food vouchers, all you have to do is bring your Hofstra ID to the Hofstra Athletics Ticket Office located in the David S. Mack Sports and Exhibition Complex any time Monday-Friday between 9 a.m.-5 p.m. Tickets available first-come, first-served, while available. There will be a family fun zone which include inflatables, temporary tattoos and games.

The Hofstra Athletics department has a lot of new initiatives this year.

V. Report of the Senate, George Giuliani:
Prof. Giuliani reported that the Senate has been very busy this year with a number of items being worked on.

Information Items
1. Prof. Giuliani presented for information the Town Hall Meeting/What’s Happening at Hofstra Switch. We are just switching the two events so that the Town Hall Meeting, sponsored by the University Senate, is now being held in the fall on December 5th and the What’s Happening at Hofstra event, sponsored by the Student Government Association, will be schedule in the spring semester. Students felt it made sense to field questions from the Town Hall in the fall and then report at the SGA event in the spring.
Action Items
1. Prof. Giuliani presented for action the 2019-2020 Academic Calendar. Evan Koegl, Registrar, reported that we are currently keeping the structure we have had in the previous year. The item passed unanimously.

2. Prof. Giuliani presented for action the Graduate Bulletin Revisions. Evan Koegl, Registrar, reported on behalf of the Graduate Academic Affairs Committee that the revisions are strictly a clarification to the maintaining matriculation language in the bulletin to address some of the questions the Office of Academic Records has been getting about when that maintain matriculation is incurred for the student. These are clarifications to indicate that students are candidates for graduation will be maintained, and to specify that students are only being considered registered for the term in which they are maintaining. The revisions also include information on who they should reach out to if they have questions.

VI. Report of the AAUP, Elisabeth Ploran
Prof. Ploran reported that there was a membership meeting on September 12 with over 60 members in attendance. The next meeting will be on Wednesday, November 28 during common hour and hope to see everyone there.

Prof. Ploran reported that they are in the process of updating the website with all of the unit representatives. The goal is that if you have a problem and think it is union related, that you can go to your unit representative first who may know the intricacies of what’s happening within your unit and then they can direct you to the AAUP.

Prof. Ploran reported that the AAUP continues to monitor the implementation of mid-semester advisories as well as monitoring the conversations on the international pathways programs. There are two more information sessions for members to attend and raise concerns or ask questions. The sessions will be held on Friday October 26, 2-3pm and Monday October 29, 10-11 am in Axinn Library, room 245.

Prof. Ploran reported that they along with Christina Ventura-DiPersia, Collective Bargaining Chair, are starting to cross check the Faculty Policy Series (FPS) and Collective Bargaining Agreement (CBA) to each other to see if there are places where they don’t align or should align better. They are also writing some quick guides for some of the major programs and processes that faculty use consistently.

Prof. Ploran reported that she is leaving her Faculty In-Residence position at the end of the year. She encourages faculty to express interest. There will be an interest meeting on Wednesday, October 24 and Wednesday, November 14 during common hour. Faculty will meet her as well as Russ Smith, Associate Director of Residence Life.

VII. Report of the Chairs’ Caucus, Kathleen Wallace
There was no report of the Chairs’ Caucus.

VII. New Business
There was no new business.

VIII. Adjournment
The meeting was adjourned at 3:50 p.m.