Minutes of the Academic Affairs Committee of the Board of Trustees of the State University of New York
March 17, 2020

Pursuant to a notice of a meeting duly given on May 10, 2020, the Academic Affairs Committee of the Board of Trustees of the State University of New York held a meeting via teleconference on March 17, 2020.

Committee Members Present:
- Trustee Litow, Chair
- Trustee Fogal
- Trustee Kay
- Trustee Lewin
- Trustee Ostro
- Trustee Socarides
- Trustee Staller

Committee Members Not Present:
- Trustee Spielvogel

Other Trustees Present:
- Chair Tisch

Others Present:
- Chancellor Johnson, Provost Laursen, Ms. Casey, Ms. Duncan-Poitier, Mr. Megna, Ms. Miller, Mr. Patton, Mr. Pratt, Dr. Wang.

Meeting Convened

Trustee Litow convened the meeting at 12:40 p.m.

Chair’s Report

He explained that this would be an abbreviated session to allow the Chancellor and her team time to focus on matters related to COVID-19.

Trustee Litow expressed the Committee’s thanks to Chancellor Johnson, Provost Laursen, campus Chief Academic Officers and faculty for all that they are doing to ensure academic continuity during this crisis. He also recognized Governor Cuomo as one of the most proactive governors in the country during this public health crisis and thanked him for his leadership and ongoing support of SUNY.

Approval of Minutes

Confirming a quorum was present, Trustee Litow called for a motion to approve the minutes of the Committee’s January 28, 2019 meeting. A motion was made and seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

Executive Session

Trustee Litow than called for a motion to convene in Executive Session for the purposes of discussing the employment of particular persons, pursuant to Public Officers Law, Section 105(1)(f). A motion was made and second received. The motion passed unanimously.
No action was taken during executive session. When the Committee reconvened in public session, Trustee Litow asked the Committee to consider resolutions.

Resolutions

Trustee Litow called for a motion to consider four resolutions together: Appointment of Distinguished Professors; Appointment of Distinguished Service Professors; Appointment of a Distinguished Teaching Professor; and, Appointment of a Distinguished Librarian. A motion was made and second received. The motion passed unanimously.

Adjournment

Confirming that there was no further business before the Committee, Trustee Litow adjourned the meeting at 12:55 p.m.