



The State University
of New York

**Minutes of the Academic Affairs Committee
of the Board of Trustees
of the State University of New York
March 10, 2026**

Pursuant to a notice of a meeting duly given on March 6, 2026, a meeting of the Academic Affairs Committee of the Board of Trustees of the State University of New York was held on March 10, 2026 at the SUNY System Administration 353 Broadway, Albany, New York as well as via video.

Committee Members Present:

Stanley Litow, Chair

Trustee Crespo

Trustee Lewin

Trustee Simon

Trustee Staller

Trustee Vacin

Trustee Varlack

Other Trustees Present:

Chairman Tisch

Vice Chairman Perales

Trustee Burke

Trustee Corngold

Trustee Duffy

Trustee Haddon

Trustee Katz

Trustee Rallis

Trustee Spiro

Others Present:

Dr. John B. King Jr., Chancellor

Melur K. "Ram" Ramasubramanian, **Committee Liaison**, Executive Vice Chancellor for Academic Affairs and Provost

Kyle Adams, Assistant Vice Chancellor for Marketing & Creative Strategy

Nisha Atre, Executive Director, SUNY Impact Foundation

Anne Bink, Senior Vice Chancellor for Operations and Management and Chief Operating Officer

Cassie Baron, Assistant Secretary of the University

Lisa Castillo Richmond, Senior Associate Vice Chancellor and Chief Deputy for Student Success

Bess Chiu, Deputy General Counsel and Chief of Staff

Valerie Dent, Vice Chancellor for Community Colleges

Jamie Frank, Senior Associate Vice Chancellor for Policy Implementation and Access Initiatives

Teresa Foster, Associate Vice Provost for Institutional Research & Data Analytics
Aarron Gladd, Chief Strategy Office and Senior Advisor for Operations and Management
Bart Grachan, Senior Associate Vice Chancellor for Enrollment Management
Christa Grant, Interim Chief Diversity Officer
Robert Haelen, Senior Vice Chancellor for Capital Facilities
Cheryl Hamilton, Senior Associate Vice Chancellor for Student Life, Opportunity Programs and Student Advocate
Adam Haney, Deputy General Counsel
Julie Hartley-Moore, Senior Vice Chancellor for Academic Affairs
Juliana Hernandez-Commisso, Assistant Vice Chancellor for Policy Implementation and Deputy Chief of Staff
Kapil Longani, Senior Vice Chancellor for Legal Affairs and General Counsel
Jennifer Mero, Secretary to the Board of Trustees
Robert Megna, President, Rockefeller Institute of Government
Pam McCall, Director of University Life Operations
Amy Montalbano, University Auditor
Jessica Robin, Vice Chancellor for Global Affairs
Zulaika Rodriguez, Associate Vice Chancellor for Executive Recruitment
Juan Rosales, Chief of Staff to the Chief Operating Officer
Ian Rosenblum, Senior Vice Chancellor for Policy Implementation and Chief of Staff
Josh Sager, Chief Financial Officer
Shadi Sandvik, Senior Vice Chancellor for Research, Innovation and Economic Development
Cara Palumbo Schrantz, Deputy General Counsel
Will Schwartz, Vice Chancellor of Government Relations
Carter Strickland, Chief Sustainability Officer and Executive Director of Climate Action
Lourdes Thebaud, Director of Student Development
Ronaly Wilson, Assistant Vice Chancellor for Community Colleges

CHAIR LITOW'S REPORT

Trustee Litow opened by sharing an overview of the committee meeting's agenda. Before starting the agenda, Trustee Litow shared updates on new data showing college students feel college is a good value and worth the cost.

Trustee Litow turned the meeting over for the Provost's report.

PROVOST'S REPORT

Provost Ramasubramanian greeted the Committee and opened with a Master Plan amendment for Westchester Community College. The request was approved unanimously, moving the request to the full board.

Moving on to Credit for Prior Learning, Provost Ramasubramanian invited Senior Vice Chancellor Julie Hartley-Moore to provide an update on efforts to implement SUNY's policy for credit for prior learning and to increase the number of students receiving such credit through a variety of mechanisms.

Senior Vice Chancellor Hartley-Moore shared that all campuses have provided data on the credits they are awarding for prior learning. Campuses have made progress integrating credit for prior learning into advisement, student services, recruitment, and admission. Senior Vice Chancellor Moore shared that the average number of credits awarded for prior learning increased year-over-year.

Additionally, campuses have made important progress on awarding credit for military experience, taking steps to standardize and expand how credit is awarded.

Senior Vice Chancellor Hartley-Moore then shared the strategy for how SUNY plans to continue to grow the number of credits for prior learning awarded across the system.

Trustee Litow thanked Senior Vice Chancellor Hartley-Moore for her updates and moved to convene an executive session. No action was taken in executive session.

ADJOURNMENT

Trustee Litow adjourned the meeting at 11:45 a.m.