

Serving School of Environmental and Biological Sciences Students

Minutes for Monday, April 13, 2020; Virtual WebEx Meeting

- I. Call to order
- II. Pledge of allegiance
- III. Determination of a Quorum and Roll call
 - a. Quorum met
 - b. <u>3/30 Minutes</u> approved
- IV. Approval of the Agenda
 - a. <u>Agenda</u> approved
- V. Deans Reports (5 min each)
 - a. Faculty Representative
 - i. 1st meeting of Alternative Convocation Meeting
 - 1. 2 events to commemorate 2020 graduation
 - a. <u>Online event in spring</u>
 - i. June 1; June 8
 - ii. <u>Ceremony clips</u>
 - b. Later event in fall: commemorative celebration rather than repeat of online convocation
 - i. Potential dates: coincide with Homecoming
 - 2. Ideas about ways to enhance online ceremony
 - a. Contact Jeremy, Michael, Erica, Dean Ludescher
 - 3. Dean Lawson will send out summary email to graduating seniors
 - b. Alumni Association
 - i. No report
- VI. Reports (5 min each)
 - a. Executive Board
 - i. President
 - 1. Last meeting: Monday, April 27
 - 2. SGC must be re-registered by new EBoard
 - 3. Stoles should be ordered and mailed to senior SGC members
 - a. Shivane will send email to graduating seniors for head count
 - ii. Vice President
 - 1. UPD Reports due next Monday, April 20
 - a. Reach out to <u>Kim</u> or <u>Shivane</u> with any questions
 - iii. Treasurer

- 1. No report
- iv. Recording Secretary
 - 1. No report
- v. Corresponding Secretary
 - 1. No report
- vi. Senate Report
 - 1. No report
- vii. RUSA Report
 - 1. COVID-19 Relief Fund for students who need financial assistance
 - 2. Elections
- b. Committee Reports
 - i. Academic Affairs
 - 1. No report
 - ii. Allocations
 - 1. Budgets still open: due April 24
 - 2. Please contact Katie if interesting in being next year's Allocations Chair
 - a. All committee chair positions essentially open
 - i. Please consider and reach out to whoever currently holds position
 - iii. Internal Affairs
 - 1. Election results
 - a. Everyone who ran got their positions
 - i. President: Nick Brennan
 - ii. Vice President: Katie Scott
 - iii. Treasurer: Aarushi Parikh
 - iv. Animal Science Rep: Josee Westrich
 - v. Biotechnology Rep: Layiba Choudhry
 - vi. BEE Rep: Morgan Mark
 - vii. Plant Bio Rep: Ash Dunlevy
 - viii. Class of 2023 Rep: Priya Shah
 - b. Nomination of positions
 - c. E-Board elections: next week
 - iv. Public Relations and Programming
 - 1. No report
 - v. University Affairs
 - 1. No report
- c. Alumni Report
 - i. No report
- VII. Old business (15 min each)
 - a. <u>Resolution Requesting the Formation of an International Search Committee for SEBS</u> <u>Executive Dean</u>
 - i. Dean Goodman retires July 1, 2020
 - ii. Interim Dean chosen: Dr. Laura Lawson

- iii. Hiring freeze at University (resolution might not be appropriate now)
- iv. Withdraw motion: taken up by next year's council in September
- VIII. New Business (15 min each)
 - a. <u>Resolution Commemorating the Appointment of Dr. Laura Lawson to Interim Executive</u> <u>Dean</u>
 - i. Important for SGC to have good relations with administration
 - ii. Recognize Dr. Lawson for all of her contributions
 - iii. Passed
 - b. Nominations for new positions: next meeting
 - i. Please think about positions that you're interested in
 - 1. Reach out to current chairs and ask about their responsibilities
 - 2. Chair positions are part of E-Board
 - ii. Nomination, nominees give speech, vote
 - iii. Email anyone on E-board with questions
- IX. Press Questions and Open Mic (20 min)
 - a. Primary elections coming up in July 7th
 - i. Please look into applying to vote by mail ASAP (polls might not be open)
 - b. No additional forms needed for new position nominations
 - i. Next meeting: discuss what to if someone did not fill out form but wants to run
 - ii. Candidates will give 30 second speech; everyone votes
 - c. No in-person commencement or convocation
 - i. Virtual ceremony (both university-wide and SEBS): only immediate recognition
 - d. Please let us know if you would like to be on SGC next year so we can nominate you for a position
 - e. Next meeting: Monday April 27, 8 9 PM (WebEx meeting link will be sent)

X. Adjournment

a. Meeting Adjourned