

# University Senate Meeting Minutes

**March 2, 2026, 3:30-5:00 PM (Hybrid Meeting – Wang Theater & Zoom Meeting)**

Meeting called to order by Dr. Brenda Anderson, the University Senate President, at 3:30 PM. A link to the meeting recording will be provided upon request. A motion to approve the agenda and the minutes from February 2, 2026 carried. List of attendees can be viewed on the University Senate [website](#).

## Greetings from Brenda Anderson, University Senate President

- Welcomed everyone to the University Senate meeting.
- The University Senate President [report](#) was presented at the meeting.

[Report from President, Andrea Goldsmith](#) was presented.

[Report from Provost, Carl Lejuez](#) was presented.

[Report from EVP HSC, William Wertheim](#) was presented.

## Q&As/Comments/Concerns:

- Q - Know Your Rights event on Mar 11 Question about License Plate Readers
  - A - The license plate readers used by Mobility and Parking Services are used for access to parking facilities, and for parking enforcement purposes only. These tasks are handled exclusively by Stony Brook entities, and no outside agencies, including the Suffolk County Police Department, partake in parking enforcement, or are in any way whatsoever involved in access or control of data associated with the MAPS facility.
- Comment - A: We have the responsibility to teach our students to use AI in the most powerful way possible.
- Q - A We have informed all RAs of the policies we have for dealing with external law enforcement. They should state that they are not authorized to give access to any information, and call the University Police Department. For those uncomfortable calling the police, they can call UPD anonymously. UPD has the training to respond and is available 24 hours. These instructions align with the SUNY policy on dealing with external law enforcement.
- Q - A: The response to a question on support for Adobe Acrobat Pro subscriptions for pdf remediation by faculty, staff, and grad student instructors will require a follow-up
- Q - Is it possible for students to have access to their records, and ask for deletions?
  - A - I don't know the answer, but will address that in a future senate meeting.

## Reports from UUP

- [Report from L. Melious](#) – West Campus UUP President was submitted electronically.
- Report from Bruce Kube - East Campus UUP President
  - Chapter meeting will be held in HSC Lecture Hall 2, on March 5th at noon.
  - The second round for the UUP opened today and will be accepting applications until May 31.
  - Academic Freedom workshop will be held on March 25.

## Old Business:

- Announcement of Candidates for Secretary of the University Senate.
  - No announcement.

## New Business:

- A. [ADA Digital Accessibility Update and P&T Guidelines presentation](#), presented by Amy Cook, Vice Provost for Academic Affairs

Q - A: The university-wide committee members will be asked to recuse themselves at the level of their department, and if they serve on a committee such as PTC or APT committee, they won't be invited to join the university-wide committee.

- B. [Executive Budget Resolution](#), SUNY UFS Senators, presented by Michael Boerner

- C. [Resolution on Wheeled Vehicles & Pedestrian Safety](#), University Environment Committee

Passed:

Endorse - 93.75%

Not Endorse - 0%

Abstain - 6.25%

University Administration will implement and erect signage for new wheeled vehicle and pedestrian safety policies, along with set up outdoor charging stations on campus for e-bikes and e-scooters, as recommended in the Wheeled Vehicles and Pedestrian Safety Resolution.

- D. [Resolution on Smart Growth](#), University Environment Committee

Passed:

Endorse - 92.86%

Not Endorse - 7.14%

Abstain - 0%

University Administration will ensure ongoing consultation with the University Senate and Environment Committee on development and construction plans impacting the university environment, per the adopted Smart Growth resolution.

Also, will develop and share a new facilities master plan, with engaging the Senate Environmental Committee and broader university community during the planning process.

**Meeting adjourned at 5:15 PM.**

**Senate President:** Brenda Anderson

**Senate Secretary:** Richard Stein