Upstate Attendees
Senators: Jay Brenner, Kerry Greene-Donnelly, JC Trussel, Susan Wojcik
Alternate Senator: n/a
Campus Governance Leader: Dale Avers

Election of Vice President:
Gwen Kay of Oswego State is the new VP, replacing Ed Feldman of Stony brook.

Health Science Sector:
Buffalo:  no report

Downstate Medical Center:  Nothing new to report, the LICH negotiations are continuing and there are questions as to the ability of the bidder to complete financing prior to the due date. SUNY is prepared to accept the second bid on LICH if the original bidder is not able to complete the terms of the contract. It is likely that this will result in continued litigation.

Optometry:  As a result of the many non-renewals of contracts in 2013, the clinical staff is now seeing a substantial increase in administrative aspects of their workload. Resulting in the need to supervise more students at one time in the clinic and clinicians performing administrative tasks, such as gaining prior approval from insurance companies.

Stony brook Medical Center:  Continued positive reports

Upstate Medical University:  Presidential search should begin late summer/early fall. Cancer Center is progressing and should open on time. The Chancellor has accepted our invitation to be on campus for the official opening.

Discussion of the local board of directors took place, little has been heard on any campus at this time.

The sector resolution on an independent investigation of the LICH acquisition and all events following has been tabled until May 22, after the bidding process has been completed or a second bidder is selected. It was felt that the resolution could negatively impact the negotiations and therefor it is best to hold to a more appropriate time. The sector will have a conference call to discuss shortly after the May 22 deadline.

Henry Flax PhD was nominated and approved to head the Health Centers Sector for another year.

Chancellor Nancy Zimpher’s Report
POWER OF SUNY 2020
SUNY is in a good position with the Governor’s office and the legislature.
Planning started in 2010 with POWER of SUNY 2020, having a plan has been beneficial on
many fronts. We are measuring our progress and improving our "systemness"
Focus now is on performance, metrics, and a rating system. The rating system will need input
from BOT, student and Faculty senate, and others meet to discuss how we measure
performance.
Currently the plan to measure performance will be based on 4 major areas of metrics. Within the
4 areas are 116 individual measures.
116 metrics to use to measure SUNY’s impact on the community and students. The 4 major
metrics will include: increase readiness for entry level college work, degree completion rates,
value of SUNY degree (employment %, wages, and advanced degrees) and increase research and
innovation.

Community Colleges are using a similar system to link college level education with positive
outcomes. This is looked at favorable by the NYS Legislature and results in increased funding to
the Community College System. SUNY is hoping to gain in a similar way through the use of
metrics.

Federal government is utilizing the concept of a rating system to increased financial aid for those
students attending a “good university”. The program is targeted to low income and underserved
students.

SUNY is concerned with the unintended consequences that a rating system may have. SUNY
along with 40 other major educational systems have stated that this may have negative results,
such as a decrease the enrollment of the low income / underserved student as many Universities
fear that having increased numbers of these students will lower the Universities rating.

OPEN SUNY is moving along and will be implemented in Fall 2015. There is not funding for
this in the budget and that is concerning, but SUNY will continue to work on the budgetary
issues. The Interim Provost will discuss in greater detail.

**Interim Provost Elizabeth Bringsjord Report:**

Shared governance
SUNY Voices conference on shared governance was held, it was a huge success. Very well
attended by SUNY and CC. SUNY Fredonia won the shared governance award.

Seamless transfer has been completed after a lengthy faculty review process.
Final paths will be distributed in 1-2 weeks to the campuses, with implementation fall 2015.

Data informed policy making is continuing and will be focused in the future on the 4 major
metrics outlined in the Chancellors report. Input is welcome in regards to the metrics.

SUNY is working with other constituents for a universal PSAT in NYS. It has been shown that
states with universal PSAT programs have increased college readiness and success.

Search for Vice Provost of Strategic Enrollment Management and Director of Office of
Institutional Research and Data Analytics are complete and individuals will be named soon.
A search for the Provost is ongoing.
Resolutions:

ED TPA- Approved

Reserve Textbook and cost of textbooks- Returned to committee

Presidential Commitment to Principles of Shared Governance- Approved

Presidential or Equivalent Search Process- Approved

Approved resolutions can be found on the SUNY Faculty Senate web site: http://www.suny.edu/facultysenate/ApprovedResolutions.cfm