



197th Spring Plenary

Cornell

April 4-6, 2024

Stony Brook Senators in Attendance: Pamela Wolfskill and Brenda Anderson (incumbent President)

Theme: SUNY UFS – 70 Years of Service

Highlights

- [President's Report](#) - Keith Landa
- [Chancellor's Report](#) and Q&A with Chancellor John King
- [Academic Affairs and Research Update](#) – Provost
- [Portfolio Optimization & Fiscal Sustainability Panel](#)

RESOLUTIONS with links:

The following resolutions were voted on:

G&R: "[197-01-1: AI Tools for Research](#)"

- This resolution requests that the Chancellor provides various AI tools to faculty and staff for teaching and research; to educate students about the ethical and acceptable use of AI tools in education, research, scholarly and creative activity, and practice; and to create a SUNY-wide forum where faculty and staff can discuss academic integrity regulations and ask questions regarding AI tools for various uses.
- For: 44 / Against: 0

G&R: "[197-02-1: SUNY Cross Campus Research Support](#)"

- This resolution requests that the Chancellor to fund the organization of a SUNY-wide research conference under UFS G&R oversight to establish SUNY-wide discipline-specific research groups and to fund the leaders of these groups at \$4000 each. This resolution also requests a collaborative meeting between the SUNY Provost's office, members of G&R, and members of UAPPC to refine and scope direction of future incentive programs for research collaboration.
- For: 30 / Against 13

G&R: "[197-03-2: Graduate Education Standards](#)"

- This resolution requests that the Provost create a SUNY-wide workgroup charged with creating best practices for graduate education and research professional development opportunities and potential creation of a SUNY-wide website highlighting best practices for graduate education and student-faculty publication co-authoring guidelines.
- For: 16 / Against 25 - Resolution failed

G&R: "[197-04-1: SUNY Research Communication Enhancement](#)"

- This resolution requests that the Chancellor facilitates better research information and resources sharing through the creation of a SUNY-wide email list and provide enhanced research networking opportunities for all SUNY faculty members.

- For: 36 / Against: 0

SLC: "[197-05-1: Recommendation for Basic Needs Resource Communication](#)"

- This resolution recommends that all SUNY state-operated campuses consider adopting a policy regarding basic needs statements and that SUNY campuses identify and implement broad and equitable communication strategies for these statements on syllabi, department websites, LMS frames, or others as appropriate.
For: 39 / Against: 0

OPR: "[197-06-1: Requesting a Progress Report on the Financial Sustainability of State University of New York Campuses](#)"

- This resolution requests the Chancellor and SUNY System Administration provides a progress report on the financial sustainability of SUNY campuses, including an analysis of the strategies that have shown progress, the challenges that are being faced, and necessary initiatives that campuses have had to implement and that this report be provided to the SUNY UFS, SUNY Board of Trustees, and the state legislature no later than the beginning of the Fall 2024 semester, and to consider publishing such a report on a regular basis.
- For: 41 / Against: 0

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As the SUNY UFS celebrated 70 years of Service, Chancellor King stayed for dinner and provided the keynote. There was also a poster display of the many years of meetings. Quite a number of these poster boards included Norm Goodman. We stayed at the Statler Hotel on the Cornell Campus which, since it's a hotel where students from around the world come to learn their trade, more than exceeded expectations for the attentive staff and outstanding meals.



