

School of Arts and Sciences

SUNY Buffalo State

Minutes

September 20, 2024 ♦ 3:00 pm ♦ BULG 217

- I. Call to order – Meeting called to order at 3:02 pm
- II. Presentation of the Agenda – agenda passed with unanimous consent

Minutes adopted with no significant corrections

- III. Welcome and Remarks of the Speaker

We are required to hold two meetings but have held the room for two additional meetings if we feel we need to hold them. Stay tuned.

- a. Move to consent agenda
Will circulate reports ahead of the meetings rather than having verbal reports during the meeting.
- b. Fall 2024 curriculum submission schedule (Appendix A)
- c. Special event announcements (Appendix B) – highlight some of the events we are holding this year

Added announcement – Monday Sept 30th at noon walk in honor of Orange Shirt Day. Announcement will be in Daily

- d. Writing groups – Dr. John Drager organizing workshop groups for sharing works in progress for sharing and critique. David Ben-Marre – floating idea of communal time to sit and write for a couple of hours, might be able to provide coffee.

- IV. Report from the Interim Dean – Dr. Frothingham

Announcements/Reminders – the daily bulletin email is staying in place for now. Daily Bulletin announcement Mandatory Employee Trainings, they are actually mandatory need to be completed

Deans have been told by the provost that they will be told the number of lines released in October

Friday October 18th - timeline and requirements for sabbatical requests. Please follow the rubric so you understand how your proposal will be evaluated. Don't know how many are going to be funded.

Question – the candidate now must explain how their classes will be covered?

Kelly – We need this information, so someone must explain it.

OTPS – Originally told they were going to be cut by 50%. Fortunately, it was 14-18% range for cuts in departments. Deans reconciled cuts from recommendations. Lots of cuts in places with large allocations that weren't being used, for example \$3,800 in postage. Chairs cannot allocate OTPS as travel funding allocations for faculty travel. Dean's office will provide travel funding now – w/in United States \$800, international travel \$1,000. Planning to change to tenured \$1,000 and untenured \$1,200. Foundation accounts can be used for travel as long as it is within the scope of the account.

Academic Affairs reorganization meetings – Thank you to everyone that went. Very important. There is a survey that closes on October 11th so please be sure that you provide your feedback to the provost.

Statement from the floor – they are refusing to fill it out. It is poorly constructed and forces you to choose an answer even if you don't want any of the responses. No option for N/A or none of the above.

Interim Dean will share this feedback with the provost.

Provost will be holding meetings in October with some financial information and perhaps preliminary results of the survey.

Academic convocation was yesterday. Congratulations to Kevin Williams - SUNY Chancellor's Award for Excellence in Faculty Service, Timothy Bryant - SUNY Chancellor's Award for Excellence in Teaching and Margaret Herb - President's Award for Excellence in Teaching. If there is a recording, please watch Gerard Puccio's keynote address about change. It was framed in a really positive way.

Many upcoming events – Fall Pumpkin Drop, Hispanic Heritage Month with several events. Major Minor fair is Oct 10, Beyond Boundaries events, so many music events, art event, Biology and Great Lakes center speaker series, several other speaker series. Share in the positive and amazing things that we are doing.

Question from floor: Can we surplus fax machines?

Answer: No one is using fax machines. Never heard an answer about this. Will reach out and find out if we are supposed to surplus them. Dean's office has kept one just in case anyone has a need for it.

Anthony Chase – reminder about the E. O. Smith Arts and Humanities Faculty Development Fund <https://dailybulletin.buffalostate.edu/call->

[proposals-e-o-smith-arts-and-humanities-faculty-development-fund-4](#) The deadline for submissions was Monday, November 4, 2024.

V. Report from the College Senate Liaison

Report was emailed prior to meeting. Brief summary of topics covered. Mostly announcements from the President. Our retention went up 3% last year. Student fee includes Metro bus pass. Many fewer students are using it, so it has been dropped and the fee reduced.

No questions for Senate Liaison

VI. New Business

No new business

VII. Adjournment – meeting adjourned at 3:30pm

**Appendix A: SAS Curriculum Committee (Julie Wieczkowski, chair)
submission schedule**

Submissions due Wednesday. Review period Thursday-Wednesday.

Final submission to CSCC: TBA

SAS Submissions by:	SAS Committee Reviews:
Summer submissions	August 29 - September 4
September 11	September 12 - September 18
September 25	September 26 - October 2
October 9	October 10 - October 16
October 23	October 24 - October 30
November 6	November 7 - November 13
November 20	November 21 - November 27

Appendix B: Department and Unit Fall 2024 Special Event Announcements

[Events | SUNY Buffalo State University](#)

Beyond Boundaries at the Burchfield Penney Art Center (Ruth Goldman and Meg Knowles)

<https://communication.buffalostate.edu/beyond-boundaries>

Thursday, September 12, 2024, 7pm

Girls State, 2024, 96 min.

Directors: Amanda McBain, Jesse Moss

Trailer: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=F5GTaV7oZ2g>

Thursday, October 17, 2024, 7pm

Chisholm '72: Unbought & Unbossed, 2004, 77 min.

Director: Shola Lynch

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=-uk2JuXZMwY>

Thursday, November 21, 2024, 7pm

The Disappearance of Shere Hite, 2023, 116 min.

Directors: Dakota Johnson, Shere Hite

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=eMWWNckl-dQ>

Geosciences: annual Fall Equinox Pumpkin Drop (Gary Solar)

Sept. 24, Bengal Pause.

Hispanic Heritage Month 2024 (Marko Miletich, Andrea Guiati)

9/17/24 Latin@ Poetry, Student Union Assembly Hall 12:15-1:30

9/20/24 Film *Boricua soy yo* Alumni Center 6-8 p.m.

9/26/24 Modern and Classical Languages Mixer, MCL Offices 12:15-1:30

10/1/24 Mayan Archeoastronomy, Planetarium 12:15-1:30

10/3/24 Latin Dance Demonstration, Student Union Assembly Hall 12:15-1:30

10/10/24 Mayan Archeoastronomy Planetarium 12:15-1:30

10/10/24 *Noche borinqueña*, Ciminelli Recital Hall 6:00-8:00 p.m.

10/15/24 Latin@ Roundtable Student Union Assembly Hall 12:15-1:30

“Conversations in and out of the Disciplines” (Barish Ali and David Ben-Merre)

<https://english.buffalostate.edu/conversations>

September 27: Anna Zeemont “‘We Write to Find our People’: Critical Student Literacies and Coalition Building”

October 25: Olga Novikova (Biology): “Splice & Dice: The Fascinating World of Inteins”

Drop Hammer Reading Series (Kim Chinquee, Michele Ninacs, and Peter Ramos)

<https://english.buffalostate.edu/drop-hammer>

Fall dates: September 26, October 31, November 21

The TFA TV Pilot (Jeff Hirschberg)

BE HAPPY

Ten years after his hit show ended, a children's entertainer is visited by his old characters to help him fix his life.

Screening at the Warren Enters Theatre

Saturday, December 7th (7PM to 9PM) — Doors open at 6:30pm

FREE and open to the public

Music Department Events

<https://music.buffalostate.edu/events>

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| September 26 | Buffalo State Alumni Recital |
| October 2 | Erie County Chamber Winds |
| October 5 | Masterclass with Victor Wooten |
| October 9 | Buffalo State Wind Ensemble |
| October 10 | Noche borinqueña: An Evening of Puerto Rican Song |
| October 17 | Digital Music Production Faculty and Student Concert |
| October 18 | Music Major for a Day |
| October 22 | Buffalo State Chamber Choir and Chorale |
| October 24 | Buffalo State Jazz Ensemble |
| November 2 | National Association Teachers of Singing (NATS) Competition, (CNYFL Chapter) Stude |
| November 5 | Lois Klein Piano Series Masterclass: Orlay Alonso |
| November 5 | Buffalo State Percussion Ensemble with West African Drumming Ensemble |
| November 6 | Lois Klein Piano Series Recital: Orlay Alonso |
| November 7 | Mark Filsinger Quartet |
| November 14 | Student Degree Recital: Nathan Reiser, double bass |
| November 17 | Buffalo State Faculty Woodwind Recital |
| November 19 | Buffalo State University Philharmonia |
| November 20 | Buffalo State Wind Ensemble |
| November 21 | Student Chamber Ensembles |
| November 24 | Student Recital: Anthony Choops, guitar
Student Recitals: Alexa Wery, voice Cameron Juzdowski, voice
Student Recital: Jennifer Balazadeh, voice |
| November 26 | Buffalo State Jazz Ensemble |
| December 2 | Student Chamber Ensembles |
| December 3 | Buffalo State Winter Choral Spectacular |