

THE UNIVERSITY SENATE OF MONTCLAIR STATE UNIVERSITY

Montclair, NJ 07043

(Field) We'd like to see an increase in the number of Specialist representatives because there are more Specialists at the University.

- b. Senate by-law regarding statements by candidates for election to the University Senate (Field) In the section 1, it's stated that all candidates are encouraged to submit a brief statement, no more than 250 words, of background and interest with their nomination. Motion to approve the by-law carries.

Council Reports

- c. Academic Affairs (Domine)

- i. Open-Access Educational Resources

We have concerns about the price of books. We are suggesting faculty to look if there's an Open Access Resource available to them. Rutgers and Passaic had started to do this, and students have collectively saved a great deal of money. An alternative is to place material on reserve in the Library. The Library has an online guide, and Department Liaisons can advise and instructors on making course materials available without cost to students.

Discussion included Senators Trubatch, Nurse

- ii. Graduate Council: Commencements, Graduate Open House in February. Changes GA formulas, changes graduate staff

(Trubatch) The awarding of TA's to support large-enrollment courses constitutes a different direction/model for Montclair State. The implications should be considered and discussed more widely, including as part of Strategic Planning.

(Gingerich) Montclair State University will never have many large-enrollment courses because we don't have physical capacity to do so. There are not many large-capacity classrooms on campus.

- d. Administrative Affairs (Pemberton)

- i. We will be meeting in the next month to finalize our recommendation for Socially Responsible Investments.

- ii. We are looking into the implementation for stations for electric cars. (Misra) I'd like to point an issue with students leaving the class to register for the spring semester; can we change the time that allow students to register?

- e. Students Affairs (McDermid) Nothing to report.

- V. NAL Report (Curnutt)

Union supports the Senate working with the Latino Caucus on DACA. We held a pizza party for students who stayed on campus during the break.

- VI.

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- c. We spoke to them about updating information on immigration issues. President Cole told the Executive Board that the University supports a restructuring of NJ TAG so that it is not dependent on citizenship or immigration/visa status.
- d. The Administration was not yet prepared to provide a plan regarding the University College. However, implementation is planned for Fall 2018.
- e. The nomination of Jeff Strickland to serve as Senate Representative on the CUE was accepted by the Administration.
- f. Committee on policies needs feedback on the proposed policy on policies. The committee started a discussion on the Canvas site
- g. Please plan to report on Senate activity at the College meetings.

Discussion included Senators Alvares, Berger, Curnutt, Domine, Fleming, Salzman, Sullivan