



200th Spring Plenary

SUNY Oneonta

April 24-26, 2025

Stony Brook Senators in Attendance: Pamela Wolfskill and Brenda Anderson, CGL

Highlights

- [President's Report](#) - Keith Landa
- [Chancellor's Report](#) and Sector Q&A with Chancellor John King
- [Provost's Report](#)
- [Higher Ed in Prisons Presentation](#), Dr. Jenifer Lee Program Manager
- [Digital Innovation and Academic Services](#)

Bruce Simon, SUNY Fredonia, was elected SUNY UFS President as Keith Landa finished his term.

Committee Reports: [Communications](#); [Equity, Inclusion and Diversity](#); [Ethics and Institutional Integrity](#); [Governance](#); [Graduate Academic Programs and Research](#); [Operations](#); [Programs and Awards](#); [Student Life](#); [Undergraduate Academic Programs and Policies](#)

RESOLUTIONS with links:

The following resolutions were voted on:

UC: 200-01-1 "[In Support of All Forms of Gender Identity and Expression](#)"

- Asks Chancellor and Board of Trustees to affirm and defend the protection of gender identity or expression.
- For: 40 / Against: 5

UC/EC: 200-02-1 "[On Defining and Opposing Antisemitism](#)"

- Condemns all forms of harassment and discrimination; asks Chancellor to convene a SUNY-wide group to develop recommendations to ensure changes of antisemitism do not infringe on academic freedom (including defining antisemitism)
- For: 35 / Against: 9

GR: 200-03-1 "[SUNY Inter-Institutional Programs Promotion and Support](#)"

- Calls on Provost to facilitate and support the creation of inter-institutional initiatives, including program creation and delivery, sharing of courses, laboratory and research resources; drawing on White Paper on inter-institutional initiatives
- For: 30 / Against: 13
- **Ask to Campuses** -[Circulate white paper](#) Encourage creativity regarding inter-institutional initiatives.

OP: 200-04-1 "[SUNY System Administration Mandate Impact and Offsets Statements](#)"

- Asks SUNY System Administration to evaluate the impact of mandates on campus resources; and convey to campuses expectations and potential offsets
- For: 41 / Against: 3

OP: 200-05-1 "[SUNY System Administration guidance regarding changes in requirements for existing grants, scholarships, etc.](#)"

- Requests guidance re: federal changes impacting funding, scholarship and support programs; advocacy to protect at-risk programs
- For: 42 / Against: 2

Binghamton: 200-06-1 "[Updating and revising The State University of New York Guide to Presidential Searches at State-Operated Institutions](#)"

- Suggests updates to policy for presidential searches to include multiple campus governance leaders, and to ensure participation of professional or support staff
- For: 40 / Against: 4
- **Ask to Campuses** - Campus Governance Body support for revision to SUNY Guide to Presidential Searches

Plattsburgh: 200-07-1 "[Incorporate Black Solidarity Day Events into Academic Planning](#)"

- Asks UFS to recognize Black Solidarity Day and encourage campuses to do the same
- For: 33 / Against: 6
- **Ask to Campuses** - Consider including Black Solidarity Day into the Academic Calendar. Encourage faculty to incorporate DEISJAB principles into their classes

GOV/GR/EC: 200-09-1 "[Defending, Protecting, and Advancing Foundational Principles and Functions of New York State and United States Higher Education](#)"

- Create joint working group with higher ed leaders in New York to develop recommendations for advancing and protecting academic freedom; distribute UFS Academic Freedom Resource Guide 2025; join in various actions
- For: 39 / Against: 2
- **Ask to Campuses** - Circulate [Academic Freedom Resources 2025](#)
Encourage faculty to sign statements, petitions, etc. as they feel appropriate
Suggest Campus Governance Bodies pass aligned resolutions.

• **Floor: 200-10-1 "[Legal Help for Immigration Issues](#)"**

- Asks Chancellor to provide various types of support for students who have lost or are in risk of losing their immigration status (continued enrollment, financial aid, legal assistance, rights training, etc)
- For: 38 / Against: 1
- **Ask to Campuses** - Urge faculty, staff to complete “Know Your Rights” training. Post “Know Your Rights” information publicly

An additional resolution from the floor ("*Amend SUNY Protocols for Interacting with External Law Enforcement*") was referred to the Executive Committee.

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White papers

- [Cultivating Interpersonal Skills in College Students: A Pathway to Success in a Complex World](#), Bilas Paul (Student Life)
- [SUNY Inter Institutional Graduate Programs Best Practices](#) (Graduate Programs and Research)
- [Academic Freedom Resources 2025](#) (Governance)

