Operations Committee
Report Date: May 2, 2016
Presented at: Spring, 2016 UFS Plenary

Charge:

The Committee shall generate relevant reports and recommendations for the University and its institutions concerning:

- the development and administration of budgets, strategic planning, and operations;
- matters related to libraries, educational technology, and forms of instructional delivery; and,
- personnel policies, as they pertain to budget, operations, diversity, equity, affirmative action and delivery of a high quality SUNY education.

2014-15 Committee Members:
Chair: Thomas Sinclair, Binghamton University
Members: Diana Boyer, SUNY Oswego; Kevin Caskey, SUNY New Paltz; Mete Cetiner, Empire State College; Darren Chase, Stony Brook University; Henry Flax, Downstate Medical Center; Carey Hatch, SUNY System Administration; Pamela Mahon, Upstate Medical University; Heather Maldonado, SUNY Buffalo State; Bill Robins, Empire State College; Li-Ru Zhao, Upstate Medical University

Committee Goals for 2014-15:

1) Distribute report on budgeting best practices and transparency among SUNY campuses.
2) Track open access developments by SUNY and assess how to encourage expansion of open access including the creation of a SUNY repository.
3) Complete a case study on the role of campus governance played in development of performance improvement plans related to SUNY Excels.
4) Complete a study addressing how the mix of tenure and contingency faculty has changed in SUNY institutions and what composition of faculty is needed to meet SUNY’s teaching and research missions.
5) A review of different campus practices regarding family and parental leave.
6) An assessment of what shared governance orientations should SUNY campus presidents receive.

Committee meeting dates (include type of meeting):

The Operations Committee did not meet in the Spring, 2016 semester.
Committee accomplishments since previous UFS Plenary:

The Committee’s analysis of the SUNY Composition of Faculty will include a campus-by-campus review of faculty appointments by gender and their identity with underrepresented minorities. Additionally, the report will include an analysis of the trends of full versus part-time appointments over the past 20 years.

Requests to UFS Senators from committee:

The Committee has no actions for UFS Senators at this time.

Anticipated upcoming actions/accomplishments:

The Composition of Faculty Report will be completed in the Summer of 2016.