

# Stony Brook University Senate Bulletin

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This bulletin is arriving reasonable early, but you may have not noticed that there was no Bulletin last month. So we're even!

The University Senate will meet on Monday 6 May in Wang Lecture Hall 2.

The big issue the proposed Pet Policy. It may come as a surprise that there is no policy regarding pets on campus (aside from the dorms). Facilities Management brought this to our attention, and has been working with the University Environment Committee since last Fall to develop a policy. The proposed policy, which will be posted to the University Senate web site once I get a copy of it, was adopted by the UEC over some opposition at its April 29 meeting. The Senate will discuss the merits of this propose policy, and vote on adoption.

We will also discuss a proposed policy to regulate the Feral Cat Network.

We will consider resolutions on graduate student housing, and on the elimination of NSF support for Political Science Research. We will be asked to support the USG resolution in favor of timely renovation of the campus swimming pool.

Recent debacles at Rutgers, UConn, and Penn State show what can happen when sufficient oversight of D1 athletics is lacking. I have asked Athletic Director Jim Fiore to provide an update about D1 sports on campus, and to tell us what programs are in place to ensure we stay clean.

University Senate elections have concluded (as if anyone noticed!). A paltry 3.6% of those eligible to vote actually voted. Winners and losers are being notified, as are those individuals who were written in. There are a limited number of open seats remaining on standing committees, and plenty of open at-large seats for anyone interested in working with the Senate. Please contact us if you are interested in a temporary appointment.

The agenda for the May meeting, with supporting documents, is available on the University Senate web site. Not all supporting documents are currently available; this document will be revised up until the time of the meeting.

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