

New Brunswick Faculty Council Meeting # 237 April 24, 2020

Chair's Report
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- Update on the Resolution on Inclusion of the Faculty Councils in the RU Policy Library
- University Senate's USGC has received a charge (S-1904) to review the proposed resolution on Rutgers' Faculty Councils Inclusion in the University Policy Library.
- University Senate's USGC is still preparing and debating a report and a resolution to be presented for a vote at the Senate meetings.



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- Resolution on the Course Atlas Appeal to the University Senate.
- Senate Appeals Panel has heard arguments earlier this month.
- NBFC did not receive any information regarding a determination as of yet.

### NBFC Statement on Covid-19 Response

- NBFC has sent a letter to the NB- Chancellor
- Concerns expressed on cost cutting measures by drastically reducing, indeed freezing, the appointment of Part Time Lecturers.
- Concerns expressed on the need for cost cutting measures as a result of the current crisis in increasing significantly the teaching loads of tenure track faculty.
- NBFC urges the NB-Chancellor to take the lead in having the decision to freeze PTL appointments reversed.
- NBFC urges the University to take some cost cutting measures on the part of the administration.

#### NBFC Elections for 2020-2021 Officers

- According to the NBFC bylaws, the election of the 2020-2021 Chair,
   Vice Chair, and 5 additional Executive Committee (EC) members should take place before May 15th.
- Traditionally, this election has been held at the last Council meeting of the academic year. Since this is clearly impossible this year due to the corona virus, the EC hopes to hold the election electronically and has requested my assistance in preparing a slate of candidates.
- We write to invite for nomination to serve as 2020-2021 Chair, Vice Chair, or other EC member.
- The deadline for receipt of nominations and campaign statements is April 24th.
- There will be one NBFC member elected as Faculty-At-Large University Senate Representative.
- The ballot will be prepared and distributed through Qualtrics and the election of the officers will be completed by May 15<sup>th</sup>, 2020.



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- All standing committees of the Council shall submit written reports annually to the Council by June 1, 2020.
- The Council Chair shall issue a written annual report to the New Brunswick Chancellor and faculty by July 1, 2020.