

College Council Minutes

December 27, 2022

Two publicly noticed locations were used:

4 Park Ave. New York, NY 10016 &

New York State DMV Buffalo Office 295 Main St., Room 468, Buffalo, NY 14203*

Non present members attended via Microsoft Teams

Presiding Meeting: John Maggiore, Chair; President Lisa Vollendorf

Members Present: John Maggiore, Albert Culler, Roberta Reardon, Arlene González-Sánchez

Members Virtual: Mark Schroeder (Could vote), Donna Luh (Could not vote)

Members Not Present: Patricia Salkin

Administrative Staff: Matthew Barron

Call to Order 2:00pm. - Chairman John Maggiore

John Maggiore made a motion to approve the minutes, Minutes passed unanimously.

Council Business

- I. Report from the President Vollendorf:
 - i. Announced official approval to change our college name to Empire State University.
 1. Soft launch of the new name at the Inauguration in March, and students graduating Spring 2023 will officially graduate from “SUNY Empire State University.
 - ii. Strategic Plan update
 1. Draft will go out soon to gather input.
 - iii. Announced Nathan Gonyea as Provost and Executive Vice President for Academic Affairs.
 - iv. Announced hiring of Chief Marketing Officer, and also that an offer is out for a VP of Advancement.
 - v. Albert Culler asked the question about the hiring of a Chief Diversity Officer. President Vollendorf said that the position was posted, and the search committee has launched.
- II. John Maggiore moved onto the next item which was determining College Council meeting dates for 2023.
 - a. March 24, 2023 was designated as the first meeting to coincide with Inauguration.
 - i. Chair Maggiore said at the March meeting that they can decide set the schedule for the rest of the year.
- III. Upcoming events:
 - a. President Vollendorf’s Inauguration March 23, 2023, at the Saratoga Hilton.
 - b. April 13-15: Students coming to Saratoga for an Academic Conference
 - c. Multiple Spring Commencements in 2023.

- IV. New Business:
 - a. No new business

- V. Adjournment
 - a. Robert Reardon makes the motion. Arlene Gonzalez Sanchez seconded.
 - b. Meeting is adjourned at 2:15pm
 - c.

Date of Next Meeting – March 24, 2023 10am

Respectfully submitted,

Matthew Barron

*Future Council meeting note: The Executive Order that governed open meetings laws has expired, however, based on updates to the Open Meetings Law, we can now hold College Council meetings in multiple locations, if they are open to the public and noticed ahead of time.

“Any member who participates at a physical location that is open to in-person physical attendance by the public (and which location has been included in the meeting notice) may count toward a quorum and may fully participate and vote in the meeting. If there is a quorum of members at a physical location open to the public, the public body may properly convene a meeting.

A member who is participating from a remote location that is not open to in-person physical attendance by the public may not be counted toward a quorum of the public body (but may participate and vote if there is a quorum of members at a physical location open to the public).”