

FCCC Report for 10/16/19 BOT Meeting (Report given by M. Tubbs)

Highlights from attendance at the FCCC Fall Plenary in Batavia Oct 3-5...

SUNY Online

- Described by some as an attempt to break into the online education market to try and bring back the 40,000 NY residents who go out of state for online education.
- Began a pilot this fall and there are many less students enrolled than expected in the pilot, with no real explanation why. But there is clear evidence that that it is attracting adult learners
- There is a call for a SUNY Online Advisory Committee to be formed this semester to advise and help SUNY think about how to strategically implement this type of program.
- Biggest concerns are
 - SUNY is investing a lot of \$ into this with no idea on how it is going to play out
 - What impact will this have on the local institutions within the system who offer online programs

Gen Ed Review

- Gen Ed Task Force to be appointed this fall to recommend policy revisions and develop implementation guidelines.
- Target date for completion is end of 20-21 AY, but with intermediate reporting (and actions) by end of 19-20 AY

SUNY Seamless Transfer

- There is evidence that this is having a positive effect. There are statistically significant increases in
 - % of 2 yr to 4 yr transfers
 - % of students transferring with an Associate's Degree completed
 - % increase in 3-yr completion rates
 - Time to degree has decreased

Resolutions Approved at the Plenary

- Resolution Supporting Gender Inclusivity (Asking campuses to change all student gender selection documentation to become more inclusive and avoid only binary selections)
- Resolution Supporting Child Care Funding
- Resolution Supporting the New Funding Model (100% of the previous year funding as the floor – previous year was 98%)
- Resolution in Response to the Chancellor's Previous Response to the SUNY Online Resolution
- Resolution Encouraging Open Presidential Searches (which includes campus open forums)

- Resolution Requesting Faculty Governance Participation on Presidential Searches
- Resolution Requesting Faculty Governance Involvement in Curricula, Programs, & Shared Services Across Multiple Campuses

Lastly, one thing I learned about SUNY Orange while at the plenary was that we are 1 of 5 schools whose tuition is over the TAP max. We have joined the initiative to cover the difference in tuition and TAP max coverage for students through grants and scholarships.

Additionally, I provided a copy of the Fall 2019 edition of the Faculty Council Matters publication for each trustee.
