

2010 University Senate Nominations

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Please respond to LTheobalt

To: Full-Time Faculty in the College of Arts and Sciences, School of Journalism, School of Marine and Atmospheric Sciences, East and West Campus Libraries, Health Sciences Center and Stony Brook Southampton.

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Dear Colleagues:

I have previously asked you to nominate yourself or suggest possible candidates for nine of the twelve standing committees of the University Senate. This week I am asking for help with the last three committees -- the Computing and Communications Committee, the School for Professional Development (SPD) Council, and the Library Promotion and Tenure Committee. We have received an encouraging response so far, and we are hopeful that you will continue to contribute your own commitment and/or the names of others who we can contact about possible service.

I will not bore you by repeating my previous descriptions of the importance and usefulness of serving on these committees. I will only remind you that there are no formal qualifications for these committees except interest and energy, that we urge you to volunteer to run and/or to mention the names of colleagues who you think might be interested. If you suggest a colleague, we will ask them (without pressure) if they are interested in running, so you will not be committing them to anything by mentioning their name.

Here are three important committees, together with the areas in which vacancies will be contested:

Computing and Communications Committee

The Computing Committee is beginning its work evaluating the overall computing and communications system at SBU. With the Stony Brook Strategic Plan now under development, next year's work will focus on considering and recommending a major reworking of the current system to bring SBU computing to state-of-the-art levels. All aspects of the system with be scrutinized, available technologies will be identified and evaluated, and recommendations for new systems will be made.

Vacancies will be contested in HFA, NSM, SBS, and HSC. Please recommend qualified colleagues (including yourself) for this committee by replying to ltheobalt@notes.cc.sunysb.edu with their names, departments, and the committee name.

School for Professional Development (SPD) Council

The SPD Council considers all issues that affect the School for Professional Development, working with and overseeing new and continuing programs in the school. Among the agenda items considered this year--and likely to be on the agenda for the next year--have been monitoring, evaluating, and developing the growing curriculum that SPD offers online; seeking to find more productive modes of collaboration between SPD and academic departments on MAT programs; monitoring the Wallace Fellows Program, which is delivering SBU expertise to high school districts on Long Island; and development work for an ambitious new maters degree in higher education administration.

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Library PTC

The Senate Library Promotion and Tenure Committee makes recommendations to the Vice President for Health Sciences for Health Science Library faculty and to the Provost for Main Campus Library faculty concerning all promotions to tenure positions (continuing appointments), or at the level of Associate Librarian and Librarian.

Vacancies will be contested in HSC. Please recommend qualified colleagues (including yourself) for this committee by replying to ltheobalt@notes.cc.sunysb.edu with their names, departments, and the committee name.

You may make nominations by replying to the Senate office secretary, LTheobalt@notes.cc.sunysb.edu. Please write the nominee's name and department as well as the committee's name. In order to get names on the ballot, we will need nominations by March 22, 2010. We appreciate your willingness to serve as well as your suggestions of people we might contact to consider running.

Sincerely,

Michael Schwartz, Ph.D. President University Senate