

CAPRA, Fall 25 Report

Committee's charge:

The Committee shall review budgetary procedures and priorities for planning and resource allocation in the Presidential, Provostial, and Vice-Presidential areas. It shall be consulted by the University Administration on these matters and on proposals for new colleges, schools, and intercollegiate programs, or the elimination, diminution, or combinations of colleges, schools, or other academic units, and shall seek advice from other University Senate committees whenever appropriate.

Committee's composition:

Humanities Fine Arts: Johnathan Sanders, Gary Mar

Social and Behavioral Sciences: Thomas Graf, Ryan Vander Wielen

Natural Sciences: Chris Johnson and Scott Sutherland

College of Engineering and Applied Sciences: Alan Tucker, Miriam Rafailovich

Health Sciences: Sylvia Wood, Alfredo Fontanini (chair)

Library: Chris Kretz

Professionals: Michael Boerner, Linda Santos, Erika Hackley,

Undergraduate representative: Kevin Valencia

Graduate representative: Sateja Kalam

For additional information on CAPRA see:

<https://www.stonybrook.edu/commcms/univ-senate/senate/committees/capra.php>

Summary of activities:

CAPRA has been partnering with the University administration on a series of projects in three key areas:

a) University Budget and Finances:

- a. CAPRA continued to participate in the work on the New Economic Framework through regular communications with the Executive Vice President and Provost (Carl Lejuez), the Executive Vice President for Stony Brook Medicine (EVPSBM, William Wertheim), the Senior Vice President for Finance and Administration (SVPF&A, Jed Shivers), and University's budget officers.
- b. CAPRA organized a public presentation and Q&A on the New Economic Framework. In the Fall 2025, Provost Lejuez, EVP William Wertheim and SVP Jed Shivers presented an update on the project to department chairs, area leaders, center/institute directors, associate deans and deans.
- c. CAPRA will maintain representation in this project, monitoring its activities and continuing to inform and connect with faculty governance.

b) Centers and Institutes:

- a. CAPRA received a draft document from the joint CAPRA-Provost's Office committee tasked to compile new guidelines and policies regulating the creation, maintenance and sunsetting of new centers and institutes. The Committee was chaired by a CAPRA representative (Alan Tucker) and a Provost's representative (Monica Bugallo). CAPRA is now evaluating the document, and a discussion of its content is planned for the early part of the Spring semester.
- b. CAPRA reviewed and forwarded its approval to the Senate for a series of proposals on renaming or creating departments, centers and institutes. Specifically, the following proposals were approved:
 - i) Renaming the College of Business;
 - ii) Creation of the AI Innovation Institute;
 - iii) Creating the Department of Technology, AI and Society.

CAPRA is now evaluating a Provostial proposal for the creation of a Quantum Institute.

- c) Infrastructure and Facilities:
 - a. CAPRA has representation (through its chair Alfredo Fontanini) in the university-wide Space Management Committee and participated in the committee kick off meeting in September.
 - b. CAPRA contacted the Provost and the Vice President for Facilities & Services (William Herrmann) to set up monthly meetings with representatives of facilities to discuss space issues. During the Spring semester, CAPRA will seek to re-establish monthly meetings.