Undergraduate Council of the University Senate MINUTES OF 10/30/23

1. Acceptance of Minutes of 9/18

2. Welcomed two new undergraduate representatives to the committee:

- Linda Shi
- Yatharth Bahl

3. Update of GEAC

- Discussion of SUNY Gen Ed requirements: Core competencies
 - Critical Thinking
 - Information Literacy
- The UGC consensus was to follow the recommendation of the GEAC to
 - link the completion of an ESI course to satisfaction of the Information Literacy core competency
 - benchmark satisfaction of Critical Reasoning to a subset of the SBC requirements.

2. Academic Judiciary Review Update

- HN's recommendation that Richard Larson formulate and head the first review committee with a goal of assessing what is working and what is not.
- Katherine Johnston from English/Writing and Rhetoric agreed to represent the UGC on this committee.

3. Admissions policy review

HN led a discussion on what role the UGC should play in admissions policy review and scholarship criteria review

The following were noted:

- this is part of the UGC charge and the UGC agreed to retain it, yet the UGC has not reviewed this in recent memory
- with the new changes in legal landscape, it is important that the admission and scholarship process be well documented and transparent.
- The UGC remains unclear as to how extensive a role it should play but agreed that we would start a long-term fact-finding effort that can be interrupted for more time-sensitive issues.
- The committee recommended that Rich Beatty be contacted once we formulate questions.