

## **OWG 28 Ceremonies Approved Recommendations**

- 1. Recommends hosting all commencement ceremonies at the Albany James H. Gray, Sr. Civic Center with the first combined ceremony scheduled Fall 2017.**
- 2. Recommends hosting two ceremonies for the Spring and Fall semesters; with ceremonies combined by colleges.**
- 3. Recommends adding a ceremony at the end of the summer semester should the University's enrollment significantly increase; thereby, increasing the number of graduates.**
- 4. Recommends that the platform participants for each ceremony include the President, Provost, Deans, Registrar and Keynote Speaker.**
- 5. Recommends using the standard guideline when determining GPAs for Honor Recognition: Cum Laude – 3.50 – 3.74; Magna Cum Laude – 3.75 – 3.89; Summa Cum Laude – 3.90 – 4.00.**
- 6. Recommends announcing academic honors (cum laude, magna cum laude, summa cum laude, etc.) for Undergraduates.**
- 7. Recommends keeping Albany State University's tradition of allowing the Fine Arts department to provide live entertainment at each ceremony.**
- 8. Recommends keeping Albany State University's tradition of allowing alumni celebrating their 50th anniversary to participate in the spring commencement ceremony.**
- 9. Recommends displaying banners with the names of the various colleges.**
- 10. Recommends keeping Darton's tradition of designating a space for photo ops at the Albany James H. Gray Sr. Civic Center.**
- 11. Recommends allocating funds to support expenses related to hosting the Honors Day Convocation.**
- 12. Recommends alternate hosting the Honors Day Convocation on both campuses.**
- 13. Recommends hosting the Health Science/Nursing Pinning and Education Pinning Ceremonies separate from commencement.**
- 14. Recommends continuing ASU's tradition of hosting Founder's Day the first Friday in April.**

- 15. Recommends hosting the Founder's Day Convocation on the east campus.**
- 16. Recommends that convocation is scheduled during the day in addition to the Provost/Vice President for Academic Affairs suspending classes during the time of convocation is held.**
- 17. Recommends that Homecoming student activities for are held on both campuses.**
- 18. Recommends continuing ASU's tradition of hosting the Homecoming Convocation during the football season.**
- 19. Recommends Host the Homecoming Convocation on the east campus.**
- 20. Recommends that departments determine faculty to send to ceremonies.**
- 21. Recommends faculty participation by college for the designated graduation ceremony in which graduates within their college will receive their diploma.**
- 22. Recommends graduates notify the Office of the Registrar if the graduate is unable to attend the ceremony. *Notification will be part of the graduation application.***
- 23. Recommends hosting two separate Honors Day ceremonies; one ceremony for honor awards and the second ceremony for scholarship awards.**
- 24. Recommends continuing Albany State University's tradition to include the ASU National Alumni Association Induction as a part of the commencement ceremony.**