

BROOKLYN COLLEGE
OF THE CITY UNIVERSITY OF NEW YORK
FACULTY COUNCIL

November 17, 2017

- (6391) Call to order The third meeting of Faculty Council for the 2017-2018 academic year was called to order at 3:30 pm in the Woody Tanger Auditorium by Professor Langsam (CIS).
- (6392) Roll call The roll call was taken at the door. Department Chairs and Representatives: **Byam** (Africana Stud.), **Cherrier** (E&ES), **Palmquist** (Music), **Shottenkirk** (Philosophy); School Delegate: **Bassell** (Bus.), **Zolkower** (Educ.), **Childers & Vitale** (Humanities & Soc Sci.), **Crump & Hardin** (Nat. & Bev. Sci.), **Porter** (Prog Dir.) were absent (-11); **Davenport** (Nat. & Bev. Sci.) was excused (-1); Administrators: Giovannelli, Carey, Psarris, Fitzgerald, Hewitt, Gold & Ali were also absent and excused. All other members were present
- (6393) Minutes of September 12, 2017 The minutes of September 12, 2017 and October 17, 2017 were approved unanimously.
- (6394) Steering Committee Professor Langsam announced the December elections for two members of the Committee on Committees.
- (6395) Communications from the Administration President Anderson first discussed the searches for the following executive positions: Vice President for Institutional Advancement, Vice President for Finance and Administration, and Provost. Currently, the Vice President for Institutional Advancement position is vacant. Alan Gilbert is serving as Acting Vice President for Finance. Provost Tramontano will remain in his position through June 2018. President Anderson stated that she is in the process of deciding how best to conduct these searches, which will be open. Recognizing the particular interest of faculty in the Provost search especially, she requested that a slate for the search committee for the position of Provost, consisting of 7-9 faculty members, be voted on by Faculty Council at the next meeting; she will choose members for the search committee from that slate. President Anderson then described the process for the allocation of new lines. She stated that searches for 2019-2019 will follow the extended, consultative process developed through CAP. President Anderson then provided details about the Board of Trustees-mandated Executive Compensation Plan raises, which are likely to be implemented. The raises will mirror, to a certain degree, those in the most recent contract and are mandatory. President Anderson commented on the Strategic Planning process. She announced a dialogue about mission, vision, value, and purpose on November 27 and a town hall focused on strategic goals on December 5. President Anderson described the development of the Pipeline to Justice Program in conjunction with CUNY Law School. The program will prepare students for law school. Students, especially those early in their academic careers, are encouraged to participate in a one-week session during the winter term. President Anderson then remarked about CUNY's focus on developing career

pathways for students. CUNY has created an initiative to prepare students for the work world. President Anderson informed Faculty Council that Chief of Campus and Community Safety Services Wenz has assigned Corporal Rojas to serve as special victims investigator. In addition, an advisory board on sexual harassment, sexual assault, and bystander intervention will be constituted. Anyone interested in participating should contact Executive Chief Diversity Officer & Special Assistant to the President Thomas.

- (6396) Committee on Committees Professor Shortell (Sociology) presented nominations for the Faculty Council committee assignments for 2017-18. The nominations passed unanimously.
- (6397) Liaison with the University Faculty Senate Professor Queneau (BuMa) reported on the recent meeting of the University Faculty Senate. The meeting addressed the Inspector General Report and CUNY's strategic framework for cutting costs and increasing revenue. This includes addressing efficiencies, private fundraising, the use of facilities and assets to generate revenue, and a new tuition model.
- (6398) Degree Lists Degree List 2018/5 passed with a vote of 85 yeas, 1 nay, and 1 abstention.
- (6399) Report of Standing Committees Committee on Undergraduate Curriculum and Degree Requirements: Professor Cohen (Music) presented Curriculum Document 390 with changes. It passed with a vote of 88 yeas, 0 nays, and 0 abstentions.
- Committee on Graduate & Graduate Curriculum and Degree Requirements: Professor Wills (History) presented Curriculum Document 242, which passed with a vote of 84 yeas, 0 nays, and 0 abstentions.
- Committee on General Education: Professor Estey (Political Science) discussed a memo about the process through which courses are approved by the Brooklyn College Committee on General Education and the CUNY Pathway's Common Core Course Review Committee. He discussed revision of courses and deadlines for submission. In addition, he spoke about the need to conduct assessment of the General Education curriculum and courses. Provost Tramontano referred faculty members to Associate Provost for Institutional Planning and Assessment Asbury.
- Committee on Campus Planning: Professor Wills presented the annual report, which was accepted.
- (6400) Old Business There was no old business.
- (6401) New Business There was no new business.
- (6402) Adjournment The meeting was adjourned at 4:30 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Yedidyah Langsam
Chair

Martha Nadell
Secretary