The first meeting of Faculty Council for the 2019-2020 academic year was called to order at 3:30 pm in the Woody Tanger Auditorium by Professor Langsam (CISC).

The roll call was taken at the door. Department Chairs and Representatives: Fraser (Africana), Pham (Bus), Ibrahim (History), Kingan (Math), Ortiz-Minaya (PRLS); were absent (-5); Kellogg (Classics), Liu (Bus), Muth & Zeng (Nat. & Beh Sci.) were excused (-4); Administrators: Whatley, Gold & Ali were also absent and excused. All other members were present.

The minutes of May 14, 2019 were passed unanimously.

Professor Langsam welcomed returning and new members of Faculty Council. He thanked all for serving as members, discussed faculty governance at Brooklyn College, and reminded members that meetings of Faculty Council abide by *Robert’s Rules of Order* and New York State Open Meetings Law.

An election was held for a vacancy on the Committee for Committees. Professors Estey (POLS) and Regaldo (LIBR) were nominated, and Professor Estey was elected with a vote of 50 and 44, respectively.

President Anderson welcomed members of Faculty Council. She discussed the following: the positive results of the Middle States accreditation process, the completion of the first year of the Strategic Plan, new staffing at CUNY Central, changes in staff at Brooklyn College, and current enrollment trends. She stated that Brooklyn College is awaiting budget details and described efforts to enhance political advocacy in Albany and fundraising. She reported on the high *US News and World Report* rankings that Brooklyn College received for ethnic diversity, low debt upon graduation, and social mobility. She announced implicit bias training and the new Immigrant Student Success Office, led by Director Perez. She stated that, during the second year of the Strategic Plan, the focus will be on student success, retention, and graduation. A lively discussion followed.

Provost Lopes welcomed members of Faculty Council. She announced new members of the academic administration, including
Interim Associate Dean for the School of Business Queneau, Interim Associate Dean of the School of Education Scharrón Del Rio, Associate Provost for Intuitional Effectiveness Cumming, Research Integrity Officer Vitale, and Director of the Center for Teaching and Learning Fox. She discussed the development of a five-year academic plan and the engagement of Deans with the revitalization of graduate enrollment. She announced her open office hours for the semester.

Professor Shortell (SOC) presented a slate of nominations for Faculty Council committees with changes. The slate was approved with a vote of 86 yays, 1 nay, and 1 abstention.

Professor Hainline (PSYC) discussed the analysis of differential funding by FTE at schools similar to CUNY, which was conducted by the budget advisory committee. She urged Faculty Council members to read the minutes of the UFS.

Degree Lists 2020/1 & 2 passed with a vote of 87 yays, 1 nay, and 0 abstentions.

Committee on General Education: Professor Troyansky (HIST) announced deadlines for the submission of General Education courses.

Committee on Graduate Curriculum & Degree Requirements: Professor Wills (HIST) presented the annual report, which was accepted

There was no old business.

Professor Shortell presented the “Resolution Concerning 15 Credits per Semester Student Workload,” which passed with a vote of 84 yays, 2 nays, and 1 abstention.

The meeting was adjourned at 4:35 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Yedidyah Langsam
Chair

Martha Nadell
Secretary