

**POLICY COUNCIL  
Minutes of the October 20, 2016 Meeting**

**Present:** President Michelle Anderson (chair), Provost William A. Tramontano, SVP Joseph Giovannelli; Associate Provost Matthew Moore, Acting Associate Provost Stuart MacLelland, Associate Vice President Alan Gilbert, Interim Vice President Ronald Jackson, Dean Maria Conelli, Dean Willie Hopkins, Dean Richard Greenwald, Dean Kleanthis Psarris, Assistant Dean Vannessa Green, Professor Yedidiah Langsam, Professor Caroline Arnold, Professor Douglas Cohen, Professor Lynda Day, Professor Beth Evans, Professor Namulundah Florence, Professor William Gargan, Professor Mark Kobrak, Professor Miguel Macias, Professor Helen Phillips, Professor Sophia Suarez, Omari Williams (GSO), Carolina Guerella (CLAS), Truth Opaleye (CLAS), Florencia Salina (CLAS), Nissim Said, Florencia Salinas-Comuzzi (CLAS), Professor Yehuda Klein

**Absent:** Professor Kip Marsh, Adam Zauderer (SGS), Lauren Abady (SGS), Mazel Salame (SGS), Gila Samouha (SGS), Elizabeth Koennicke (GSO), Tamim Suhail (GSO)

**Excused:** Dean April Bedford, Nicole Haas

1. President Michelle Anderson welcomed the members of Policy Council to the 2016-17 academic year.
2. Round Robin introduction of the 2016-17 Committee members.
3. Election of the Executive Committee by the various constituencies yielded the following membership:
  - (a) Florencia Salinas-Comuzzi – student representative
  - (b) Sophia Suarez (Physics) – faculty representative
  - (c) Dean Richard Greenwald (HSS) – administration representative

President Anderson also serves on the Executive Committee

4. Carolina Guerella (student rep) was elected as Secretary to Policy Council for 2016-17 academic year.
5. The minutes of the 4/21/16 meeting were unanimously accepted by those members who were in service last year.
6. Florencia Salinas-Commuzzi and Professor Sophia Suarez will identify members of their constituencies to staff the 2016-17 Policy Council Committees on: 1) Governance; 2) Faculty/Student Relations; 3) Fiscal, Infrastructure and Planning and External Relations. Membership will be determined by the November 10, 2016 meeting
7. Associate Provost Moore presented the CAP approved minor changes to the BC Governance structure (positions of Associate VP, interview of the school deans

through the promotion/tenure process). This will be referred to the BC Governance Committee with eventual submission to CUNY Central.

8. Proposed shot sensors on campus. SVP Giovannelli presented a plan proposed by the NYPD to place shot spotter sensors on the roofs of Roosevelt and Whitehead Halls. Sensors cannot detect indoor sounds and pick up an acoustic signature of a discharged firearm. Thorough discussion followed where questions were brought up about surveillance technology already in place on campus, providing the NYPD of another way to enter campus, the limits of the microphones ability to pick up conversations potential impacts on the BC security, the maintenance of the system. This was the beginning of the conversation and a complete discussion will take place at the 11/10/16 meeting.

Meeting adjourned at 4:55 pm.

Respectfully submitted,  
William A. Tramontano, Acting Secretary