

**POLICY COUNCIL
Minutes of the November 10, 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 April Bedford, Professor Yedidiah Langsam, Professor Yehuda Klein, Professor Caroline Arnold, Professor Douglas Cohen, Professor Beth Evans, Professor Namulundah Florence, Professor William Gargan, Professor Mark Kobrak, Professor Miguel Macias, Professor Helen Phillips, Omari Williams (GSO), Carolina Guarrella (CLAS), Truth Opaleye (CLAS), Florencia Salina (CLAS), Nissim Said (CLAS).

Absent: Dean Kleanthis Psarris, Assistant Dean Vanessa Green, Professor Lynda Day, Professor Sophia Suarez, Adam Zauderer (SGS), Lauren Abady (SGS), Mazel Salame (SGS), Gila Samouha (SGS), Elizabeth Koennicke (GSO), Tamim Suhail (GSO)

Non-voting: Nicole Haas

1. The minutes of the October 20, 2016 meeting were unanimously approved.
2. Membership for the standing committees was proposed. Per the committee charge, the two faculty members on the Governance Committee must be the representatives from Faculty Council Steering and CAP Liaison; nominations were adjusted to conform with this requirement. The vote to approve the members of the Standing Committees was unanimous.
3. The proposal, approved by the Council on Administrative Policy (CAP) in May 2016, to revise the Brooklyn College Governance Plan, was forwarded to the newly formed Governance Committee for consideration.
4. There was follow-up discussion about Shot Spotter. Students contacted the local Community Board which will discuss the issue of installation of the technology in the district with the NYPD's 70th precinct. Concerns were expressed about the need for such technology, as well as the susceptibility of the technology to hacking and misuse. Examples of cases where sound beyond the detection of only gunshot were presented. Those with examples will be distributed to all Policy Council members for review. The topic was tabled, by a vote of 14 to 11, for decision-making at the next meeting in December.
5. Designation of a multipurpose Room for Reflection for use by students was discussed. The room cannot be gender-separated or designated to a specific group

or for a specific use: the room must be open and accessible to all students, and it must be reserved. The Provost will ask the Registrar to explore room usage on the upper floors of Old Ingersoll.

6. The Brooklyn College website currently links to CUNY's website as the source of information on sexual assault. Students will research alternate sources for language on sexual assault and report back with proposed language that is neutral and not assumptive.

Meeting adjourned at 6:00 pm.

Respectfully submitted,
Carolina Guarrella, Secretary