

## POLICY COUNCIL Minutes of the December 8, 2016 Meeting REVISED

**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 Kleanthis Psarris, Dean April Bedford, Professor Yedidyah Langsam, Professor Yehuda Klein, Professor Caroline Arnold, Professor Douglas Cohen, Professor Lynda Day, Professor Beth Evans, Professor Namulundah Florence, Professor William Gargan, Professor Mark Kobrak, Professor Helen Phillips, Professor Sophia Suarez, Adam Zauderer (SGS), Carolina Guarrella (CLAS), Truth Opaleye (CLAS), Florencia Salinas (CLAS).

**Absent:** Dean Richard Greenwald, Assistant Dean Vannessa Green, Professor Miguel Macias, Omari Williams,

Nissim Said, Lauren Abady, Mazel Salame, Gila Samouha, Elizabeth Koennicke, and Tamim Suhail.

## **Non-voting:** Nicole Haas

- 1. The minutes of the November 10, 2016 meeting were unanimously approved.
- 2. The vote to approve the members of the Standing Committees was unanimous.
- 3. VP Giovannelli will convene a joint meeting of the Policy Council's Fiscal, Infrastructure and Budget Committee with the Faculty Council Campus Planning Committee in the spring semester.
- 4. There was a vote on the Shot Spotter proposal 21 yes, 2 no and 2 abstentions. President Anderson will take the deliberation and vote into account when making her decision.
- 5. Proposed changes to the Brooklyn College Governance Plan that were approved by the Council on Administrative Policy (CAP) in May 2016, were subsequently reviewed by the Governance Committee and submitted to the full Policy Council for approval. The revised plan was approved with 20 votes in the affirmative, and no negatives or abstentions.
- 6. The student recommendation to install signs on the security booths at campus entrances stating the requirement to show BC IDs upon entering the campus was discussed. VP Giovannelli will have signs updated and made more explicit.
- 7. Students renewed an old request to make the New Ingersoll exit to Bedford Road a campus entrance with a public safety officer assigned. Public Safety Director Don



- Wenz noted that this idea was proposed two years ago by CLAS Student Government, and piloted in spring 2015. CLAS requested a meeting with Mr. Wenz to discuss the matter further.
- 8. There has been discussion about making CUNY campuses a "sanctuary" for undocumented immigrants. CLAS has a petition in support for 400 signatures. Faculty Council passed a resolution on December 6, and CUNY will make an announcement shortly. President Anderson shared information regarding CUNY's Citizenship Now! project, which provides free legal counsel to students and their families.

Meeting adjourned at 6:00 pm.

Respectfully submitted, Carolina Guarrella, Secretary