

BCC Faculty Council

Minutes of May 11, 2017

At-Large: T. Brennan (abs), M. Choi, L. Cummins, S. Davis (abs), R. Gouraige, M. Guishard, J. Katz, L. Lawton (exc), A. McInerney, J. Molina, F. Moore (exc), S. Mukherjee (abs), H. Papas-Kavalis, M. Pita, J. Sanabria, R. Shane (exc), H. Skinner, S. Utakis [12]

Department: R. Ben-nun, S. Khan (exc), I. Ghafoor, A. Durante (exc), D. Gonsher, J. Athanasourelis, N. Reynoso, S. Offenbach, D. Genova (exc), M. Miller, J. Pineiro, W. Guerrier, A. Ortiz (abs), A. Lal, P. Kolozi (abs), J. Shaddai [11]

Adjuncts: D. Pearson (abs), M. Stewart-Titus (exc)

CLT, HEO, Registrar: L. Rosario, A. Nicasio (abs), J. Paoli, A. Robinson, S. Ramdath (abs), [3]

Alternate adjunct: J. Sinanovic (seated alternate) [1]

Alternates at large: C. Maliti (abs), K. Ojakian (abs), B. Rima (abs), J. Ziegler

Alternates (Dept.): R. Bass (exc), K. Lee (seated alternate), N. Knight (abs), S. Bhaskaran (seated alternate), E. Nelson, K. Thomas (abs), M.C. Aquino (abs), V. Rodriguez (abs), S. Duncan (abs), J. Acevedo (seated alternate), C. Tobar (abs), P. Laul (abs), K. Viner (abs),

M. Jones (abs), B. Grossman (abs), D. Molina (abs) [3]

Guests: D. Sayeed, G. Acosta, L. Brenner, V. Walker

Faculty Council Voting membership: 42 (23 = quorum)

Total Voting Members Present: 30

1. Meeting called to order at 12:13
2. Seating of Alternates: J. Sinanovic, J. Ziegler, K. Lee, S. Bhaskaran, J. Acevedo
3. Approval of Agenda: Approved unanimously by voice vote.
4. Approval of minutes of March 16th, 2017 meeting: Approved unanimously by voice vote.
5. Announcements: F.C. Chair R. Ben-Nun
 - a. Meeting will end at 12:45 due to all the events happening on campus.
 - b. UFS Spring Conference on shared governance:
 - John Jay performed an audit of governance exploring the amount of hours spent every year on committee work and what needs to be adjusted, cut or otherwise revised.
 - c. 12 week/6 week Schedule for community college proposal and its implications are under discussion with provost, union, etc. Preliminary discussions and information is being gathered for further review
 - Tuesday, May 16th at 3:30pm in Hostos Community College (multi-purpose room) will hold an Open Forum– BCC is welcome to attend as the UFS President wants everyone to participate and coordinate questions (La Guardia Community College & Kingsborough CC already adapted the schedule)

6. Elections of new members for next semester are final with the exception of the ties.
7. Democracy Project (We the People) – Monday in Meister Lobby.
8. COACHE Task Force Report is completed:
 - a. Discussion of how the report can be used and adapted:
 - i. Middle States activity, recruitment & retention, diversify committees, uniformity across departments, etc.
 - b. Resolution to adopt the report with corrections and forward to senate was voted on and passed – Result: 26 yes, 4 abstention (S. Bhaskaran, J. Molina, D. Gonsler, ?)
 - c. The report will be forwarded to all faculty members as recommended by Prof. Skinner since the president and the provost already received it.
9. Adjournment: Meeting Adjourned 12:48

Respectfully submitted by Lourdes Rosario