BCC Committee on Academic Freedom

Minutes of the March 30th, 2017
North Hall, room 131

Present:
Irene R. Delgado VP, Student Success
Farnaz Kaighobadi, Social Sciences
Roni Ben-Nun, Faculty Council Chair (Art & Music)
LaRoi Lawton, Library
Seth Offenbach, History
John Ziegler, English
Nicholas Asamoah, SGA President
Bright Tsagli, SGA Treasurer

Meeting called to order at 12:20pm

Prof. Ben-Nun spoke about the duties of this new committee and adopted a standard ‘rules of order’ as follows: there are 11 members to this committee, 6 in attendance will make a quorum and as such the meeting will proceed.

Discussion was held on the ‘charge(s)’ of this committee in an advisory capacity for the BCC Faculty Senate. Ombudsmen of academic freedom, student demonstrations on various issues that impact on student success are examples inquiry from this committee.

Prof. Ben-Nun indicated he would chair this committee until the next meeting where elections will be held to nominate a chair.

Prof. Lawton indicated he would be the “secretary” until such time elections are held. He also indicated he would create a ‘listserv’ of all members so that he can distribute various documents pertaining to academic freedom from UFS, other CUNY campuses and AAUP.

Next meeting date is tentatively scheduled for Tuesday, April 25th, at 1pm; location: TBA

Meeting adjourned at 2:10pm

LaRoi Lawton,
Interim Secretary