

Minutes of Committee on Community Events (BCC)

May 12, 2020, 12-1:15 pm (phone meeting)

Attendance: Grisel Acosta, Carlos Cruz, David Levers, Sibongile Mhlaba, Lennin Charalla-Quintanilla, Vaso Thomas, Barbara Thomson

The minutes of the April 7, 2020 meeting were approved.

The proposal that was approved by our Committee in previous meeting to amend the Committee on Governance and Elections BCC Governance Plan will be brought to the Governance and Elections/Senate in Fall 2020 (as suggested by Franklin Moore, Senate Chair). This amendment would make the designee a voting member instead of a non-voting one.

New focus is on reassessing our work in light of the given pandemic and related social distancing guidelines. Suggestions were made to help faculty with online events (for example, zoom events, Netflix/google watch parties) by creating a tiplist/sheet to announce/create virtual events. We suggested reaching out to Delwar Sayeed, Albert Robinson and Roni Ben-nun to support us in this effort.

We talked about the need to have a schedule of online campus events so there is no overlap.

Suggestion was made to focus on supporting students with transition to a more tech centered environment by offering information (on webex) about where to get technology, what online events are available. We noted the importance of offering an engaging online platform for students.

Suggestions were made to offer virtual access to meetings that are customarily held face to face and to have a virtual BCC Faculty Day.

Next meeting will be held on September 8 2020.

Meeting adjourned 12:40 pm