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CUNY Guttman Community College

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College Council Meeting
May 14, 2015
1:15-2:45
Room 401


Council Members Not in Attendance: Flora Armetta, Amy Beth, Parviz Kermani, Chulsung Kim, Claire King, Andrea Morrell, Sophea So, Randy Hensley, William Marcus Lowenhaupt, Karen Alvarez

Guests Present: Mary E. Coleman, Marisol Cortes, Laura Gambino, Gary Greaves, Bruce Lyons, Paul Naish, Omairys Rodriguez, Camila Torres, Sebastian Neri

Meeting Notes

Chairperson Evenbeck called the meeting to order at 1:22, welcomed attendees and gave brief opening remarks.

- If anyone wants a copy of Redesigning America’s Community Colleges, please let Scott or Linda know.
- The ‘Dreamer’ event held at the GC last week found our students in the second row! $30 million was pledged to the Dream US not-for-profit.
- President Obama was at Lehman last week and announced his commitment to “My Brother’s Keeper” organization. Scott hopes our college will be part of CUNY’s rededication to the BMI.
- Laura Gambino and colleagues are working now on a Title V proposal.
- We have also submitted a grant proposal to Graduate NYC! College Completion Innovation Fund to help rollout our new early alert system with Starfish (more news coming soon).
- We had a first meeting of our College Foundation Board of Directors on May 14, 2015.
- Thanks to all for making the all-Campus meeting such a positive experience.
- We have secured MetroCards for our students next year. They will be need-based. Also, we will use some of the Guttman money as incentive/stipend money for all of our students.
- Elisa thanks everyone for filling out the survey. Due date is tomorrow. Survey is 100% anonymous. To those who haven’t yet, please fill it out.

Referral of Matters from Standing Committees:

A. Matters referred from the Agenda Committee
   i. Resolved: The Council Approves the Agenda for the May 14, 2015 meeting. (Approved by acclamation).
   ii. Resolved: The Council Approves the minutes of the March 24, 2015 meeting. (Approved by acclamation).

B. Matters referred from the Curriculum Committee
   i. Resolved: The Council approves a change in graduation requirements with the establishment of Writing Intensive Courses for ENGL 203 Composition II, LASC 254 Capstone Seminar in the Liberal Arts & Sciences, HSVC 213 Health & Human Services

ii. Resolved: The Council approves a Policy on maximum credit load for fall II and spring II sessions. (Tabled).

iii. Resolved: The Council approves the addition of C- to Guttman's available grades. (Approved; 35 in favor; 1 sustaining—Jan Green).

iv. Resolved: The Council approves a new course and LAS degree elective: Communications 101. (Approved by acclamation). [The title of the course is Speech Communications 101.]


vi. Resolved: The Council approves a change in existing course and number and LAS degree requirement: LASC 103 Foundations in Humanities to PHIL 103: Introduction to Philosophical and Humanistic Thinking. (Approved by acclamation).

vii. Resolved: The Council approves a change in existing course #: INFT 244 Independent Study to INFY 298. (Approved by acclamation).

viii. Resolved: The Council approves changes in existing course prerequisites: ENGL 211, ENGL 214, ENGL 215, ECON 223, GOVT 201, GOVT 202, LASC 243. (Approved by acclamation).


2. Other Business: The members of the Agenda Committee who attended the meeting agreed verbally to approve the Agenda set for next week’s meeting with one addition; that being to include consideration of a policy on maximum credit load for fall II and spring II sessions tabled today for correction.

3. New Business: none

4. Announcements/Discussion: Nominations for next week’s election will be taken from the floor at the meeting.

5. Adjournment: 2:08 p.m. (The next meeting of the Council will be on May 21, 2015 in room 401, 1:15-2:45).