

BROOKLYN COLLEGE
OF THE CITY UNIVERSITY OF NEW YORK
FACULTY COUNCIL
March 16, 2021

- (6696) Call to order The sixth meeting of Faculty Council for the 2020-2021 academic year was called to order at 3:30 pm by Professor Langsam (CISC) via Zoom.
- (6697) Roll call The roll call was taken at the door. Department Chairs and Representatives: Byam (AFST), McDonald (FILM), Dunbar (KINS), Childers (MLAN), Murrow (SEED), Sabongui (THTR); Delegates: Bowdoin (HSS) O'Connor-Petruso (EDUC) were absent (-8); Administrators: Lopes & Scharron Del Rio were also absent and excused. All other members were present.
- (6698) Minutes of February 16, 2020 The minutes of February 16, 2020 were approved unanimously.
- (6699) Steering Committee In order to mark the full year of the pandemic, a moment of silence for all those lost to the COVID-19 took place.
- Professor Langsam announced that University Faculty Senate elections will take place online. Elections will be held from March 22-26, 2021. Professor Langsam announced that the Committee on Undergraduate Curriculum and Degree Requirements and the Committee on Graduate Curriculum and Degree Requirements did not recommend a change to Brooklyn College's P/F policies.
- (6700) Communications from the Administration President Anderson discussed fall planning, including arenas about which Brooklyn College has no information, such as vaccination and testing requirement and social distancing mandates. She referred to CUNY's forthcoming guidance memo, Middle States and NYSED's authorization for fall online classes, possible modalities for classes, fall registration, and models for different scenarios for in-person and hybrid courses, capacity targets, and the campus re-entry plan. She spoke about the hiring freeze, the vacancy review board, and hiring plans for faculty lines.
- Senior Vice-President for Finance and Administration Gilbert discussed stimulus funds, including a delay of guidelines for CRRSSA funds.

A conversation followed about class size, adjunct hiring, stimulus funds, the impact of space on course modalities, capacity and safety planning, re-entry, and course modalities.

(6701)

Committee on
Committees

The "Resolution to Update the Name and Charge of the Committee on Review of Programs" passed with 88 yeas, 2 nays, and 1 abstention.

The "Resolution on the Proliferation of College Committees" passed with a vote of 87 yeas, 2 nays, and 3 abstentions.

(6702) Liaison
with the
University
Faculty Senate

Professor Cohen (MUSC) reported on the most recent meeting of the University Faculty Senate, which addressed the proposed amendment to the charter to include adjunct membership and the proposed formation of a standing committee on community colleges, re-entry plans, the newest budget, and the hiring freeze and vacancy review board.

(6703)

Degree Lists

Degree List 2021/9 were approved with a vote of 89 yeas, 0 nays, and 1 abstention.

(6704) Reports
of Standing
Committees

Committee on Undergraduate Curriculum and Degree Requirements: Curriculum Document 411 with changes was approved with changes with a vote of 91 yeas, 0 nays, and 2 abstentions.

Committee on Graduate Curriculum and Degree Requirements: Curriculum Document 261 with changes passed with a vote of 89 yeas, 0 nays, and 2 abstentions.

Committee on Master Planning, Educational Policy, and Budget: The annual report with a change was submitted and accepted. A discussion of the committee's special report, "Notes on Growth Opportunities for Brooklyn College," took place.

(6705) Old
Business

There was no old business.

(6706) New
Business

Professor Lynch reported on the organization of a response to attacks on members of Asian community.

(6707)

Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 4:30 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Yedidyah Langsam
Chair

Martha Nadell
Secretary

