

BROOKLYN COLLEGE  
OF THE CITY UNIVERSITY OF NEW YORK  
FACULTY COUNCIL  
September 13, 2022

Minutes of May 10, 2022

- (6810) Call to order      The seventh meeting of Faculty Council for the 2021-22 academic year was called to order at 3:30 pm by Professor Shortell (SOCY) via Zoom.
- (6811) Roll call      The roll call was taken at the door. Department Chairs and Representatives: Day (AFST), Yarrow (CLAS), Gythfeldt (MUSC), Murrow (SEED), Llanos (MLLS): Delegates: Carp (Humanities), Muth (NBS) were absent (-2); were excused (): Administrators                      Conelli,                      Tolias, Coombs, Galitz & Scharron del Rio were also absent and excused. All other members were present.
- (6812) Minutes of April, 2022      The minutes of March 15, 2022 were approved with a vote of 89 yeas, 0 nays, and 2 abstentions.
- (6813) Steering Committee      Professor Saxena (BIOL) read the following minute in recognition of the passing of Professor Dunbar (BIOL):  
Christopher Dunbar joined BC in 1990 and was an active member and ex-Chair of Kinesiology dept. for more than 3 decades until recently when he became a very collegial member of Biology Dept.  
He has contributed more than 80 papers, abstracts, monographs and books to the medical and scientific literature in diverse areas, including exercise prescription, exercise biochemistry and molecular biology, ergogenic aids, body composition, stress testing and electrocardiography. His latest book is an ECG text designed for clinicians involved in stress testing and cardiac rehabilitation. Dr. Dunbar was a fellow of the American College of Sports Medicine (ACSM), served as a reviewer and was on the international advisory and editorial boards for a number of U.S. and European scientific and medical journals. He had served as a consultant for professional sports teams and major corporations. He was an ACSM certified clinical exercise specialist and physiologist, a State Guard Association of the United States (SGAUS) qualified military emergency management specialist, a commissioned officer in the Medical

Service Corps and a member of Dobno's Devils Combat Pistol Team of the New York Guard. He will be missed by his family, students, friends and colleagues alike.

Professor Langsam (CISC) reflected on the passing of Professor Greenbaum (PHYS):

I first met Professor Greenbaum, when I came to Brooklyn College in 1969 as a physics student and he was my physics lab instructor. I got acquainted at that point with what science was really about. And I must say that I did pretty well in that class and enjoyed it a lot. . . For those who were on Faculty Council when I was and when many of you were, he was the parliamentarian par excellence. There was no one else, who had the institutional memory that he had going back to years before we came to Council. He always read every document that Faculty Council produced and corrected us when there were mistakes to be found. He was a gentleman. He was also a well-known Jewish scholar, who had published many works in religious Talmudic Law. He stayed behind for many years, offering his service on Faculty Council and even afterwards, when I became chair and there were questions on parliamentary procedure, or we had to find out something about the history of Faculty Council. He was always available. We will miss him.

Professor Rodman (TREM) read the following on the passing of Professor Foges (TREM):

The Department of Television, Radio and Emerging Media wishes to honor the memory of Peter Foges, who was an adjunct instructor in the department for over a decade. He passed away three weeks ago. He was vital to our mission of educating the community on the relationship between democratic values and mass media. His illustrious career in public and commercial broadcasting gave enhanced credibility to his classroom. He started in Great Britain and worked with David Frost. He came to the United States when he was appointed the BBC US Bureau Chief. He went on to direct National News and Public Affairs at WNET, where he produced a series of timely documentaries, one entitled *Putin's Russia*. He knew everybody and was a mentor to current leading figures at various news outlets including *The New York Times*. His son Alex is also part of the Brooklyn College community as an alumnus. On a more personal note, his anecdotes and generosity helped his students and his colleagues at Brooklyn College to feel that they were part of an enduring democratic civilization. Foges's legacy is to be treasured in these hard times.

The results of the most recent University Faculty Senate election for Brooklyn College alternates were announced. The Resolution on Membership in Faculty Council for

Student Government Liaison passed with a vote of 85 yeas, 3 nays, and 7 abstentions. The Resolution on Membership in Faculty Council for Interdisciplinary Programs passed with a vote of 79 yeas, 7 nays, and 11 abstentions.

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Communications  
from the  
Administration

President Anderson thanked Faculty Council members for their endurance during the spring 2022 semester. She spoke about the possibility of a commuting app, which didn't seem likely, as it could present privacy concerns. She reported on the Study Tour to Israel and the Palestinian Territories that she undertook with the CUNY Chancellor and other CUNY presidents. A discussion about the following ensued: the study tour and its relationship to Brooklyn College and its communities, the new restrictions on academic freedom in the region, the recent forum on faculty hiring, the possibility of a new faculty line in PRLS, vacancies and the allocation of new lines generally, the new policy of TAP for part time students, and the availability of financial aid and scholarships to undocumented students.

Provost Lopes spoke about the Library Publishing Party and congratulated the 44 faculty authors in attendance. She then spoke about the Re-entry Review Board, which has changed the campus visitor policy. She then spoke about long-term planning for faculty lines. A discussion about guidance for event planning ensued.

Senior Vice President for Finance and Administration Gilbert spoke about on the latest budget: the 2022-2023 budget is strong and does not include a tuition or fee increase but does include funding for new faculty lines. It also includes some relief for the TAP waivers, capital funding, and a one-time allocation. HEERF funding can provide funds for lost revenue, but enrollment must be addressed for future years through the Strategic Enrollment Management plan, which will focus on enrollment and student success. He then spoke about the process for providing funding for undocumented students. A conversation about the following ensued: the mechanism for allocating faculty lines following the departure of a faculty member, and outreach about the funding process for undocumented students.

Senior Vice President for Enrollment Management O'Reilly provided an update about summer and fall enrollment,

retention rates, efforts to determine the roots of and address enrollment challenges, and searches for enrollment staff.

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Committee on  
Committees

The latest slate passed with a vote of 84 yeas, 1 nay, and 1 abstention.

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University  
Faculty Senate  
Liaison

Prof. Cohen (MUSC) reported on the most recent University Faculty Senate meetings. On February 23, 2022, a UFS standing committee on community colleges was created. On March 29, 2022, the Resolution Calling on the UFS/AAC and CUNY OAA Consultative Decision Making passed. The Resolution Defending Academic Freedom to Teach about Race and Gender Justice and Critical Race Theory passed.

(6817) Degree  
List

Degree Lists 2022/11 & 12 were approved with a vote of 82 yeas, 1 nays, and 1 abstention.

(6818) Reports  
of Standing  
Committees

Committee on Undergraduate Curriculum & Degree Requirements: Curriculum Document 420 with changes was approved with a vote of 81 yeas, 2 nays, and 2 abstentions. Prof. Gonsalves (ENGL) was congratulated on his retirement and thanked for his work on and contributions to the Committee on Undergraduate Curriculum & Degree Requirements, the English Department, the Linguistics Program, and Brooklyn College.

Committee on Graduate Curriculum & Degree Requirements: Curriculum Document 269 with changes was approved with a vote of 76 yeas, 0 nays, and 2 abstentions.

Committee on Admissions: The Resolution on Undergraduate and Graduate Admissions passed with a vote of 73 yeas, 3 nays, and 0 abstentions.

Committee on Honors, Citations, and Awards: The annual report was presented and accepted.

(6819) Old  
Business

There was no old business.

(6820) New  
Business

The Resolution on the recommendation that interdisciplinary programs report to the dean of the school of the current director was postponed.

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Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 5:15 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Tim Shortell  
Chair

Martha Nadell  
Secretary