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BROOKLYN COLLEGE
OF THE CITY UNIVERSITY OF NEW YORK
FACULTY COUNCIL
November 15, 2022

Minutes of October 25, 2022

- (6834) Call to order The second meeting of Faculty Council for the 2022-23 academic year was called to order at 3:30 pm by Professor Shortell (SOCY).
- (6835) Roll call The roll call was taken at the door. Department Chairs and Representatives: Schur & Thibodeau (CLAS), McFadden (ECAE), Klein (ECON), Danto & MacDonald (FILM), Shapiro (Judaic), Suarez (PHYC), Sabongui (THEA): Delegates: Entin (Humanities), Nissenbaum (Prog Dir), Jensen-Moulton (VMPA) were absent (-12); Xie (ACCT), Rifkin (BUSN), Napoli (History), Gythfeldt (MUSC), Kozbelt (PSYC), Tomkiewicz (PHYS), Alexakos & Parmar (SEED), Banerjee (Humanities), Jiesamfoek (EDUC), Rabin (NBS), Rodman (VMPA) were excused (12): Administrators Bedford, Conell, Cumming, Eaton, Hu, King, McGinnis, O'Reilly & Scharron del Rio were also absent and excused. All other members were present.
- (6836) Minutes of September 13, 2022 The minutes of September 13, 2022 were approved unanimously.
- (6837) Steering Committee Professors Hernandez Anzola (FILM) and Miles (PSYC) were nominated and elected for vacancies on the Committee on Committees. Professors Devaney (MUSC), Grubbs (MUSC), Park (FINC) were nominated to serve on the Board of Directors for the Brooklyn College Auxiliary Enterprise Corporation Committee (BCAEC).
- (6838) Communications from the Administration President Anderson reflected on the mission-, vision-, and values-driven decision-making process of Brooklyn College. She spoke about the Strategic Enrollment Management plan, which will be the key strategic focus for

the next two years. She then discussed her visibility, which was high during the pandemic and lower currently, as her priorities are enrollment and fundraising. She reflected on the relationship between the size of Brooklyn College and its commitment to serve the communities of Brooklyn and to provide access to higher education, especially to those who have historically been shut out of it.

Senior Vice President for Finance and Administration Gilbert spoke about the budget and consultation with faculty and students. He then discussed the engagement of students with the campus, which is not yet back to prepandemic levels. He described two efforts to increase spaces for students to gather on campus: first, Brooklyn College has requested that SUBO no longer be used as a COVID testing site. Second, the process of renovating the cafeteria is underway, and Brooklyn College is looking into a new food services provider.

A discussion about the following ensued: ideas about increasing President Anderson's visibility on campus, engagement and communication with surrounding communities, eligibility for the Carroll and Milton Petrie Student Emergency Grant Fund and the Zicklin Scholars Degree Completion Program, and coordination between the SEM plan and plans for the physical plant.

(6839)
Committee on
Committees

The latest slate passed with a vote of 75 yeas, 0 nays, and 0 abstentions.

(6840)
University
Faculty Senate
Liaison

Professor Cohen reported on the most recent meeting of the University Faculty Senate, at which Chancellor Matos Rodriguez was the guest. The following issues were discussed: the vision of what CUNY should be today, the fiscal health of the New York State economy, the identity of community colleges, Department of Education funding for early college high schools, and the demographics of the CUNY student body. Additionally, the UFS discussed the strategic planning process and online degree programs.

(6841) Degree
List

Degree List 2023/3 was approved with a vote of 75 yeas, 0 nays, and 0 abstentions.

Committee on Graduate Curriculum & Degree
Requirements: Curriculum Document 270 with changes

(6842) Reports
of Standing
Committees

was approved with a vote of 68 yays, 0 nays, and 1 abstention.

Committee on General Education: Professor Evans read a statement about General Education at Brooklyn College. A conversation about the following ensued: strategies for having a college-wide conversation about General Education (dean/chairs meetings, the all-school meetings, a townhall), student participation in discussions about General Education, and a focus on skills in addition to course content and subject matter.

Committee on Academic Integrity: The annual report was presented and accepted. Professor Antonello (ANTH) reported on two recommendations from the committee: a review of the Faculty Action Report, and a review of the penalties for second offenses.

Committee on Campus Planning: The annual report was presented and accepted.

There was no old business.

(6843) Old
Business

(6844) New
Business

Professor Grubbs reminded Faculty Council of the call for honorary degree nominations.

(6844)
Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 4:56 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Tim Shortell
Chair

Martha Nadell
Secretary