

**QUEENSBOROUGH COMMUNITY COLLEGE**

**CITY UNIVERSITY OF NEW YORK**

**COMMITTEE on BYLAWS**

**of the Academic Senate**

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To: Emily Tai, Chair, Academic Senate Steering Committee

From: Linda Meltzer, Chair, Bylaws Committee

Date: April 15, 2013

Subject: Amendments to the Bylaws of the Academic Senate

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For the Committee on Bylaws, offer for consideration and adoption of the Academic Senate these proposed amendments to the Bylaws of the Academic Senate. The rationale is to bring the Bylaws of the Academic Senate into conformity with the QCC Governance Plan as last approved by the City University of New York Board of Trustees on June 25, 2012.

**Article II MEETINGS**

Section 2. Regular Meetings

FROM: "Regular meetings of the Academic Senate shall be held on the second Tuesday of each month unless that date falls on a period of recess".

TO: "Regular meetings shall be held at least four times each full semester on the second Tuesday of each month unless that date falls on a period of recess".

**Article III POWERS OF THE ACADEMIC SENATE**

**Section 1.** (in the middle of the first paragraph)

FROM: "[The Academic Senate] shall be the voice of the academic community of Queensborough Community College of The City University of New York in all matters which shall appropriately be brought before it, including 1-7."

TO: "As the policy making body of the College, the Academic Senate shall adopt policies not inconsistent with BOT policies and Bylaws and shall be the voice of the academic community of Queensborough Community College of the City University of New York in all matters which shall appropriately be brought before it:

1. Extracurricular programs: athletics and cultural, fine and performing arts.
2. Educational objectives of the College.
3. The establishment and location of new units of the College.
4. The periodic review of all departments of the College with the power to recommend to the Board of Trustees the creation, deletion, or restructuring of departments of the College in consultation with the department(s) in question.
5. The formulation of the policy relating to the admission and retention of students, subject to the guidelines of the Board of Trustees, and curriculum, awarding of College credits, and granting of degrees. In granting of degrees, student members of the Senate shall not vote.
6. The recommendation of search and evaluation procedures.
7. And such other areas affecting the welfare of the institution.

The second change in this Article:

**Article III Section 1.4:**

FROM: "The periodic review of all departments of the College with the power to recommend to the Board of Trustees the creation, deletion, or restructuring of departments of the College."

TO: "The periodic review of all departments of the College with the power to recommend to the Board of Trustees the creation, deletion, or restructuring of departments of the College in consultation with the department (s) in question."

**Article VI Section 1.** (has three changes)

Section 1.a.

FROM: "Lecturers (full-time), Instructors, and the persons in Registrar series [who have received notice of appointment on an annual salary basis for a third or later year of continuous full time service,] and all individuals in professorial titles who do not hold administrative positions shall have the right to vote for faculty representatives to the Academic Senate and to serve as faculty senators."

TO: "Lecturers (full-time), Instructors, and the persons in Registrar series and all individuals in professorial titles who do not hold administrative positions shall have the right to vote for faculty representatives to the Academic Senate and to serve as faculty senators."

Section 1.e.

FROM: "Adjunct faculty shall be permitted to vote for one (1) adjunct representative to the Academic Senate [upon receipt of the fifth continuous notice of reappointment]."

TO: "Adjunct faculty shall be permitted to vote for one (1) adjunct representative to the Academic Senate."

Added Section 1.g.

TO: "Persons on leave shall retain the right to vote for representatives to the Academic Senate."