QUEENSBOROUGH COMMUNITY COLLEGE The City University of New York ACADEMIC SENATE COMMITTEE ON VENDOR SERVICES

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To: Dr. Emily Tai/ Dr. Philip Pecorino, Chair, Steering Committee of the Academic Senate
From: Dr. Gheorghe Proteasa, Chair, Committee on Vendor Services
Subject: Annual Report for Committee on Vendor Services
Date: August 2014

1. The Members of Committee Vendor Services were:

Carvajal, B. W.	
Honey, L.	
Mooney, C.	Secretary
Proteasa, G.	Chair
Rosa, M. A.	
Faulkner,W.	President's Designee
K. Kolack C. Spencer	The Steering Committee Designee The CoC Liaison

2. Committee meetings were held on the following dates

- May 1st, 2014 from 1:10 PM to 2:00 PM in M-209
- April 3rd, 2014 from 1PM to 2PM in M-209
- December 10th, 2014 from 1 PM to 3PM in M-209

3. Summary of Committee work:

The Committee on Vendor Services suggested that the College administration and the Auxiliary Enterprise Board continue to find ways to improve the healthy food choices for our students, work with vendors in identifying avenues to reduce the sale price of food and to increase the number of ethnic food options that are available for purchasing on our campus.

In the Committee's meeting, on December 10th, 2013, the Committee elected Gheorghe Proteasa as Chair and Christina Mooney as Secretary.

From the presentation made by Dr. Proteasa it emerged that the charge of the committee is to advise the college administration as to comments from the faculty, staff and student bodies regarding the various vendor services and their activities and that the Committee on Vendor Services operates under the auspices of the Auxiliary Board and Funds.

Dr. Proteasa then detailed what the Committee on Vendor Services had achieved in recent years, and an open discussion on possible future tasks followed:

The committee had previously suggested in line with the President's designee that there might be ways for less expensive text and lab books on campus. The Committee took this into consideration and acted upon, contacting several course coordinators to request paper cover textbooks.

The current committee would still like to see an increase number of healthy option available in more vending machines on campus.

• The committee agreed it would like more ethnic eating options on campus for students including lower fat and vegetarian menu items, and more fresh fruit available.

4. Report on status of prior recommendations made to the College and reported to the Academic Senate:

• The Committee followed up on last year's Committee recommendation to inquire about the possibility of increasing the recycling efforts in our campus, especially those concerning Styrofoam.

We are pleased to inform the Academic Senate that the Committee contacted Mr. Peralta and had a fruitful discussion on possible avenues for reduction of Styrofoam use on campus. We identified a number of products (coffee cups, lunch shells) that could be easily substituted with paper variants.

While still a working process, we notice a significant change in the alimentary culture of our community as part of a concerted action of the College to increase awareness of the health benefits of a healthy diet.

5. New Recommendations:

- We might want to think of ways to increase the ethnic food choices in the cafeteria.
- The Committee continues to consider that it would be helpful for next year to be able to review the Report of the Auxiliary Enterprise Board.

6. The new members of Committee on Vendor Services are:

Twade Mangala	Biological Sciences & Geology – Chair 2014-2015
Sideris, Paul	Chemistry
Honey, Larissa	Social Sciences
Seiler, Mona	Business
Pecinka, Kathleen	Nursing
Burgers, Johannes	English
Li, Lixu	Mathematics & Computer Science
(William Faulkner, President's designee)	
Secretary – to be elected	

Respectfully submitted, Gheorghe Proteasa, Chair