QUEENSBOROUGH COMMUNITY COLLEGE THE CITY UNIVERSITY OF NEW YORK ACADEMIC SENATE
ACADEMIC SENATE COMMITTEE ON PRE-COLLEGE, CONTINUING EDUCATION & WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT

TO: Dr. Joel Kuszai, Secretary, Academic Senate Steering Committee

FROM: Committee on Pre-College, Continuing Education, & Workforce Development, Eladia Raya, Chairperson

SUBJECT: Annual Report for 2014/2015

DATE: May, 30 2015

Committee Members: Eladia Raya Chairperson, Rommel Robertson Secretary, Naydu Carmona, Christine Mooney, Agnieszka Tuszynska, Rosanne De Joseph Vogel

President’s Liaison: Denise Ward

COC Liaison: Jeff Jankowski

Steering Committee Designee: Emily Tai

Student Representative: Open

Dates Met: October 15, 2014; April 15, 2015; May 6, 2015

The committee met once in the fall, October 15, 2014. The V.P. of the Office of Pre-College, Continuing Education, and Workforce Development Denise Ward reported to the committee. V.P. Ward reported to the committee on the new departmental name as of 2014, which is the “Office of Pre-College, Continuing Education, and Workforce Development” A grid for all grants, contracts, and programs was presented to the committee and attached to the minutes. The Chinese Academy which offers Chinese language and culture classes, as of fall 2014, is serving roughly 370 students at 12 levels. The CUNY CareerPATH program (DOL Grant) received a 6 month extension and the Medical Office Assistant (MOA) degree program graduated 18 students. The Workforce Development
Initiative (CUNY Grant) which created the new tuition based certificate program for hemodialysis technicians is operational and the program is being conducted at The CUNY flushing center: 39-07 Prince street #2a. This program is designed to prepare students for employment in the Hemodialysis industry as certified Hemodialysis technicians (CHT) or Hemodialysis nurses (CHN). As part of the CUNY 2020 grant program, QCC received $11.5 million grant to build a Center for Allied Healthcare Education and Workforce Development. The program recently purchased a building in north central Queens that will be redesigned to include clinics and classrooms. As part of an agreement with the Urban Health Plan Clinics organization, the nursing program will be able to conduct rotations at the new clinic. Funds from the CUNY 2020 grant will also be used to assist in the renovation of the Biotechnology Lab.

V.P. Ward also reported on new programing for spring 2015.

- As part of the professional development the Massage Therapy program will offer two vendor-based classes (Divine Supine & Massage Therapy as Holistic Healing).
- As part of the personal enrichment programing the office will offer courses in the following: Stocking Flowers Making (Chinese Academy); Design Time- Accessories & Coco Chanel (2 Classes); Art History Series- Different artist/genres (4 Modules); History Series- Mao, Teddy Roosevelt, Appomattox (3 Classes); Photography timeline- Capturing its Spirit & History; Adobe-Premiere Foundations & DSLR camera (2 Classes).
- In addition, V.P. Ward reported the following new programs in the Kids and Teens College program: Teen Art Class, E-magination: embark into Engineering, expanded swimming programs for CYO’s in area, restructure of career Clusters program.

The committee on Pre-College, Continuing Education and Workforce Development reviewed proposed amendments to the Bylaws of the Academic Senate, Article VII Section 17: The Committee on Continuing Education.

The committee’s proposed editorial changes were unanimously agreed upon and approved by members of the Committee on Pre-College, Continuing Education and Workforce Development. In the spring of 2015 the committee met on April 15, 2015. Fellow committee member Christine Mooney reported on recent developments in the Capital One Grant Initiative (a pilot program).

She noted that the grant program was recently approved to run
CUNY wide for students interested in starting own business. The program in currently in phase II with 5 students (out of 6 students in total) advancing to the second phase. Of the five students two are from QCC (1-Business, 1- Engineering Technology). Final presentations of students’ business proposals were scheduled for May 7th, 2015 (top prize $10k) in the Oakland building.

Dr. Emily Tai also briefed the committee on the procedures for submitting the recently approved amendments to the committee’s Bylaws of the Academic Senate, Article VII Section 17.

Vice President Denise Ward reported to the committee and provided updates on tuition based programs, grants, contracts, precollege programs and other initiatives in Continuing Education program. V.P. Ward discussed the impact of recent demographic changes around the QCC campus on tuition based offerings that has led to a reduction in Tuition Based Programs (TBP) offered to the community.

V.P. Ward reported that the Port of Entry developmental course is housed off campus at The CUNY Flushing Center: 39-07 Prince Street. V.P. Ward also reported The Connect2College (formerly Career Clusters) pre-college program is now offering a wider range of courses to prepare high school students for college level courses and the program is expanding beyond city schools.

V.P. Ward is also working with the Speech Department to design ISR courses (Indication of Student Readiness) for selected speech courses for Brooklyn Technology Early College High School students to reduce the amount of student needing to take a speech remediation course when they get to QCC. The ISR proficiency or readiness course is taken by the BTECH high school students one year before they are required to take a speech course. Finally, V.P. Ward reported that she is advising on The MOA degree program accreditation/certification.

Denise Ward Vice President for Office of Pre-College, Continuing Education, and Workforce Development has routinely communicated with the committee, in addition to working with all academic departments regarding any new programs offered through her department.

The final meeting of the year took place on May 6, 2015. On April 27, 2015 the Committee on Bylaws met to review proposed amendment to the Bylaws of the Academic Senate, Article VII, and
Section 17: The Committee on Continuing Education. The Committee on Bylaws proposed editorial changes, which were unanimously approved by the Committee on Pre-College, Continuing Education and Workforce Development. The committee tasked itself with updating the information on its webpages in preparation for the start of the fall 2015 semester. Two new members joined the committee. Mike Metaxas and Mary Ann Rosa.

I would like to thank all the members of the committee for their support, the secretary for his assistance during the year and especially I would like to thank Vice president Denis Ward for her thorough reports on the many programs and initiatives she oversees as Director of the Department of Precollege, Continuing Education & Workforce Development.