

Faculty Executive Committee Meeting
April 28, 2020
5:00 pm - 5:35 pm
(Audiovideo Conference Meeting Conducted Through Zoom)
Minutes

Faculty Executive Committee (“the Committee”) Members Present: Philip Pecorino (hereafter referred to “the Chair” or “the Chairperson”), Edmund Clingan, Margot Edlin, Marvin Gayle, Ted Rosen and Cheryl Spencer.

Member Absent: Alicia Sinclair.

The Chairperson called the meeting to order at approximately 5:00 pm. The meeting was conducted by means of an audiovideo conference through Zoom.

1. Proposed Agenda
2. The proposed agenda was approved.
3. The minutes from the Committee’s meeting of February 25, 2020 were approved by a vote of 5 to 0 with the Chairperson abstaining.
4. Treasurer’s Report - The Treasurer presented the Treasurer’s Report and reported no significant changes in the faculty accounts.
5. Faculty Website: Status Report – Marvin Gayle reported that he is unable to update the Committee’s website from home.
6. Chairperson’s Report –
7. The Chairperson presented the Chairperson’s Report as follows:
Updates:
 - The Chairperson reported that David Moretti has been working to train the tellers for the upcoming department elections scheduled to be held in May. There are several departments that will be conducting elections. These elections will be conducted through Webex. The program will be set not to record individual votes. The number of votes for each of the candidates will be counted. How individual faculty voted will not be counted. After these elections are conducted, David Moretti will be requested to assist our webmaster in being able to update our website remotely.
 - Faculty Governance Leaders Events – The Chairperson reported that most governance meetings have been cancelled. It was stated that the Committee will have one more meeting near the end of May.
8. Faculty Leadership Development Program – The proposed Faculty Leadership Development luncheon has been cancelled.
9. Faculty Meeting – Planning for March 25, 2020. The faculty meeting for the Spring 2020 semester was cancelled.

10. Faculty Survey – Spring 2020 Items for Faculty Handbook – The survey has been completed and has been sent to the Senate committee.
11. Faculty Elections Spring 2020 – There was discussion of the faculty elections for the Spring 2020. All the faculty elections for the Spring 2020 semester have been completed except for the election for the ARC, which Cheryl Spencer will conduct. The faculty vote on proposed amendments to the QCC faculty by-laws has been postponed and will not be conducted this semester.
12. Update on FEC related Academic Senate Actions:
 - Anti-Bullying – The Academic Senate’s Special Committee has been working on this. The Chairperson is working on a Microsoft form for use by this committee and a statement to be issued by this committee.
 - Ombudsman – There has been no further action to date. It was noted that the anti-bullying policy that is to be adopted may include an ombudsman and there may not be a separate policy on an ombudsman.
13. Certain Behavior of a Faculty Member– There was discussion of certain recent behavior of a faculty member and that another faculty member may be filing a complaint with respect to such behavior claiming that such conduct is conduct unbecoming a member of the faculty. There was discussion of action that may be taken if any such complaint were filed.
14. CUNY Budget – There was discussion of the CUNY budget for the upcoming 2020-2021 academic year. There was discussion of certain reports of substantial cuts to the budget. The New York City budget is not to be adopted until the end of June. The NYC budget has to be approved by the New York City Council. There was discussion of how anticipated budget cuts and anticipated changes in student enrollment may impact CUNY. There was discussion that possible reduction in the number of courses may result more immediately from budgetary cuts than from changes in student enrollment as the possible effects of any such enrollment changes are usually lagging in time. There was also discussion that the CUNY Board of Trustees Budget Committee meeting had been postponed until later that night.
15. Old Business:
 - There was no additional old business discussed.
 - New Business:
 - There was no new business discussed.

The meeting adjourned at approximately 5:35 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Ted Rosen, Secretary