

Queensborough Community College  
Faculty Executive Committee Meeting  
Tuesday, December 3, 2013 at 3 PM in M-361

**Minutes**

In attendance: Alex Tarasko, Wilma Fletcher-Anthony, Nathan Chao, Joseph Bertorelli, Susan Jacobowitz , Anthony Kolios, Phillip Pecorino.

1. Minutes of previous meetings were reviewed and approved
2. Starfish: Concerns were raised about whether participation in Starfish may be used as a part of faculty evaluations although it was introduced as voluntary.
3. In response to guidance sought by the Curriculum Committee, it was decided that the Curriculum committee should follow their traditions and protocols in review of all courses.
4. Update on spring faculty meeting (March 26, 2014 at 12-2 p.m.)
  - a. Suggested topics:
    - i. Assessment of special programs including CUNYStart
    - ii. Assessment of on-line courses: outcome of PNET and FNET committees
    - iii. Impact of High School Initiative on QCC: transfer/trade school?
  - b. A report from the Academic Freedom Committee will be presented.
5. New Business:
  - a. Persons running for positions such as in the Academic Senate will be asked to provide brief position papers to introduce themselves.
  - b. A Middle States report is due in February. This will be followed by open hearings.
  - c. Preparations are in progress for UFS elections: 224 votes are required (424 faculty; 363 teaching)
  - d. Alex will follow up on a report of an incident involving workplace violence.
  - e. Changes on Academic Senate committees:
    - i. There are usually 160 applicants for 92 slots. The discontinuation of the Committee on Ceremonial Occasions has resulted in a reduction to 89 slots. The changes will occur in two phases:
      1. Phase 1: The number of slots will be increased and there will be overlapping terms. Nomination can be to a 1, 2, or 3 year term. This will increase the number of slots to 141 and ensure continuity.
      2. In Phase 2 committees will be realigned according to the 14 Middle States standards of excellence. Faculty on committees will have the option to participate in preparation of Middle States reports.
6. Adjournment

Respectfully submitted,

*Wilma Fletcher-Anthony*

Secretary of the Faculty Executive Committee