# Queensborough Community College The City University of New York

### MINUTES of the October 13, 2015 Academic Senate

President Diane Call called the second regularly scheduled meeting of the Academic Senate to order at 3:15 p.m.

#### I. Attendance:

59 votes were recorded at the time attendance was taken; 65 members of the Academic Senate cast votes during the meeting.

Absentees: Gilmar Visoni, Joan Dupre, Anthony Kolios, Richard Yuster, Simran Kaur, John Luby, Pedro Irigoyen, George Muchita, Jodi-Ann Grant, Shriromani Sukhwa, Issac Ayisi, SG President Pro Tempore, Emil Parrinello.

### II. Consideration of minutes of the September 8, 2015 meeting of the Academic Senate:

A motion was made, seconded, and adopted 57-0-1 to approve the September 8, 2015 minutes as presented (see *Attachment A of the October 13, 2015 Agenda*). Did not vote: Joe Bertorelli, Andrea Salis, Isabella Lizzul, Georgina Colalillo, Shele Bannon, Janette Urciuoli, Patrick Wallach.

#### III. Communications from President Call

President Call referred to her written report (*Attachment B of the September 8, 2015 Agenda.*) For the full report, visit: http://www.qcc.cuny.edu/governance/academicSenate/docs/ay2015-16/October 2015/Attachment-B-PresidentsReport-10-13-2015.pdf

Vice President Steele discussed the work of the General Education Task Force, and encouraged members of the Academic Senate to attend a meeting of the Task Force or discuss its work with their departmental representative.

Dr. Birchfield provided an update on the B-TECH high school, including her perceptions of the incoming class, as well significant activities such as the screening of the movie *The Face of Big Data*.

# **IV. Senate Steering Committee Report**

Chair Dr. Peter Bales referred to the written report (*Attachment C of the September 8, 2015 Agenda*). For the full report, visit: http://www.qcc.cuny.edu/governance/academicSenate/docs/ay2015-16/October\_2015/Attachment-C-SteeringCommitteeReport-10-13-2015%20copy.pdf

# V. Monthly Reports of the Committees of the Academic Senate Committee on Curriculum—RESOLUTION (Attachment G)

A **motion** was **made**, **seconded**, and **adopted 64-0-0 to approve** changes to BI-201 General Biology in the Department of Biology (*Attachment G of the October 13, 2015 Agenda*). Did not vote: Lana Zinger.

A motion was made, seconded, and adopted 64-0-0 to approve changes to HE-103 Nutrition and Health (now Fundamentals of Human Health) in the Department of Health, Physical Education and Dance (Attachment G of the October 13, 2015 Agenda), Did not vote: Bob Rogers. A motion was made, seconded, and adopted 65-0-0 to approve changes to CIS-204 Web Design, CIS-252 Application Development for Mobile Devices, and CIS-254 Data Security for Business in the Department of Business (Attachment G of the October 13, 2015 Agenda). A motion was made, seconded, and adopted 64-0-1 to approve ENGL 265 The Immigrant Experience in Literature as a new course in the Department of English (Attachment G of the

October 13, 2015 Agenda). Abstention: Alexandra Tarasko.

A motion was made, seconded, and adopted 65-0-0 to approve changes to the Visual and Performing Arts A.S. Program (*Attachment G of the October 13, 2015 Agenda*).

A motion was made, seconded, and adopted 60-0-3 to approve the deletion of the Telecommunications Technology Program in the Department of Engineering Technology (Attachment G of the October 13, 2015 Agenda). Abstentions: Ricky Panayoty, Mariya Karisa Pacache, Maryam Hira. Did not vote: Regina Rochford and Mangala Tawde.

### VI. Old Business

**NONE** 

80 VII. New Business

President Call alerted the Academic Senate that the College is responding to a request from New York State for a performance-based funding proposal with a goal of increased student success: readiness, retention and graduation. The President indicated that the proposal developed by the College would seek to strengthen key initiatives that are already part of the Strategic Plan.

The meeting was adjourned at 3:51PM

88 Respectfully Submitted,

89 Joel Kuszai

90 Secretary, Steering Committee of the Academic Senate