QUEENSBOROUGH COMMUNITY COLLEGE

THE CITY UNIVERSITY OF NEW YORK Committee on Course & Standing

Minutes for the meeting held on Friday November 20th, 2015

The Committee on Course and Standing met on Friday November 20th, 2015 at 10:00 a.m. in Room # A 104.

Those in attendance were as follows:

Dr. Nina Sarkar, Chair.

Dr. Rose-Marie Aikas, Social Science, Prof. Gina Capozzoli, Counseling, Dr. George Fragopoulos, English Department, Dr. Hayes Mauro, Art and Design. Dr. Andrew Nguyen, Biology, Dr. Jun Shin, Chemistry,

Excused:

Dr. Daniel Armstrong, Health Physical Education & Dance and Dr. Jilani Warsi, Academic Literacy

Administration Representatives:

Ms. Florence Farrat, Associate Registrar. Ms. Meera Chowdhry, Committee Secretary

Discussion:

The Committee met to review the Retroactive/Late Withdrawal appeals.

In the recent past, there have been more incidents of students trying to disrupt the classroom discipline and the process of teaching and learning by mostly using electronic devices such as smart phones. It is not fair to other students besides disturbing the flow of professors' instructions. It has been a concern for the Faculty and the topic was discussed during the Committee on Course & Standing meeting held on the 16th of October, 2015. The Associate Registrar, Ms. Florence Farrat was able to get some insight into solving the issue also by getting in touch with the Dean of Students Dr. Brian Kerr. Dr. Brian Kerr has a better understanding and experience to deal with such issues. It was decided that members of the committee will advise their respective departments to invite Dr. Brian Kerr to discuss this matter with the faculty.

He had shown interest in helping through departmental meetings and seminars.

	Total Appeals	Approved	Denied	Conditional Approval	No Jurisdiction
Late Withdrawal	58	25	31	1	1
Retroactive Withdrawals	50	14	33	1	2

The next meeting is scheduled for December 15th @ 10:00 a.m. to review the Late/Retroactive withdrawal appeals.