1 Minutes of March 10, 2009 2 Academic Senate 3 4 In President Marti's absence, Chair Emily Tai called the meeting to order at 3:09 p.m. 5 6 I Attendance: The complete Senate roster is available at: 7 8 :http://www.qcc.cuny.edu/Governance/AcademicSenate/academic\_senate\_roster.asp 9 10 As determined from the attendance taken by the iclickers at the meeting there were fourteen 11 absentees. Absent were: 12 E. Marti D. Call R. Zins D. Fitzgerald-Royce G. Colalillo 13 J. Culkin L. Ellis P. Pace A. Garcia M. Biermann 14 C. Shillingford E. Volchok R. Zahavy A. Jagoda 15 16 II. Consideration of minutes of the February 10, 2009 meeting: 17 18 A motion was made, seconded, and approved to accept the February minutes with the 19 following change: the word "proposal" on line 113 to "report" and that the entire line would read" A 20 report that a subcommittee of distance education was to be formed for the development of online 21 courses" . (Attachment A of the March 10, 2009 Agenda). There was one negative votes and no 22 abstentions. 23 24 25 III. Chair Tai stated that the President was in Albany and referred everyone to his written report to the 26 Senate (Attachment B of the March 10, 2009 Agenda). 27 28 IV. Steering Committee Report: (Attachment C of the March 10, 2009 Agenda) 29 30 Chair Tai welcomed new senators: Edward Volchok, Richard Yuster and 31 Roland Scal. 32 Chair Tai offered congratulations to Tom Gerson, who has been filling in 33 as the ex-officio senate technology officer, on the birth of his new 34 grandchild. She thanked Lawrence Chan for filling for Dr. Gerson. 35 Chair Tai stated that by April there should be resolution for a special 36 committee on distance education to be formed and urged all departments 37 to be represented on the committee. 38 Chair Tai said that the committee on the assessment database will have a 39 report in April. 40 Chair Tai reminded everyone that there will be an open hearing on 41 Monday, March 16 at 1:00 for the Middle States evaluation team and she 42 encouraged everyone to attend and talk to the team members. Senator Corradetti asked for members of the Academic Senate standing 43 44 committees to volunteer to meet with members of the Middle States team. Chair Tai was asked by Senator Gillespie to remind everyone that one 45 UFS alternate was needed by Thursday, March 12. 46 47

V. There was a discussion of the proposed restructuring of the PSC CUNY Research Awards. Currently, there are a set of disciplinary panels which review proposals in their

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50 field. The new proposal is to give a certain amount of funding to the campus and then the 51 proposals would be reviewed by the individual campus. A recent survey showed that 52 there was enthusiasm for the current method and there was concern that more money 53 would be given to the sciences rather than to the humanities. In addition, less money 54 would be given to the community colleges. Of all the community colleges, QCC faculty have been given the most grants and QCC is ranked 9<sup>th</sup> of all CUNY colleges. 55 Senator Pecorino suggested that an item should be placed on the agenda for the next 56 57 Senate meeting that the Senate Steering Committee along with the Faculty Executive 58 Committee create a statement against the proposed change. 59 60 Jannette Urciuoli asked those who are running for Faculty at Large to get their petitions in VI. by March 18<sup>th</sup> and the petition for CLTs and HEOs is due on March 12th. 61 62 63 **Old Business** 64 Senator Pecorino suggested that the Committee on Distance Education might become more 65 effective if representatives from the Committee on Curriculum and the Committee on 66 Computer Resources also served on the Distance Ed committee. 67 68 VIII. New Business 69 Chair Tai announced that Phi Theta Kappa was having a food drive. 70 71 The meeting was adjourned at 3:40p.m. 72 73 Respectfully submitted, 74 75 Devin McKay 76 Secretary, 77 Academic Senate 78 79

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