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Minutes for the Senate executive Committee

Date and Time: March 28, 2018 | 3:30-5:00

Location: B-331

Presiding: Ernest Ialongo, Chair of Senate

Present: SGA President Thierno Diallo, SGA Representative Denise Herrera, Catherine Lewis, Hector Soto, James Kennis, Terrence Brown, Tram Nguyen

Excused Absence: Natasha Yannacañedo

Guests: President Gomez, Profs. Figueroa and Baker

Minutes Prepared By: Tram Nguyen

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| **TOPIC** | **DISCUSSION** | **DECISION / ACTION** |
| Call to Order | Professor Ialongo called the meeting to order at 3:30 |  |
| **TOPIC** | **DISCUSSION** | **DECISION / ACTION** |
| Acceptance of Agenda | Motion to accept SEC Agenda | Unanimous Approval |
| **TOPIC** | **DISCUSSION** | **DECISION / ACTION** |
| Acceptance of Minutes  SEC Minutes Oct. ’17-Feb. 18  Senate March 15 Minutes | October to February minutes were reformatted using the Minutes Template made available to all Senate Standing Committees  No March minutes are available as a result of emergency campus closing due to weather conditions  Correction: Justin Arzola was present | Unanimous Approval  Unanimous Approval |
| **TOPIC** | **DISCUSSION** | **DECISION / ACTION** |
| Committee on Committees | Final committee - Institutional Research - has been certified but members yet to be informed.  Moving forward, each SEC member will be asked to oversee a specific Standing Committee in order to distribute work equitably |  |
| **TOPIC** | **DISCUSSION** | **DECISION / ACTION** |
| Charter Amendments | Prof. Ialongo continues to appeal Legal see 2.5 years of Charter Amendments resolved by the Board of Trustees |  |
| **TOPIC** | **DISCUSSION** | **DECISION / ACTION** |
| Clickers | Pursuing on campus resources |  |
| **TOPIC** | **DISCUSSION** | **DECISION / ACTION** |
| Elections | Elections are soon needed for Adjunct, UFS, and At-Large P & B representatives  Legal will provide Prof. Kennis with the list of eligible voters soon | Reach out to departments to encourage everyone to vote for maximum positions open |
| **TOPIC** | **DISCUSSION** | **DECISION / ACTION** |
| Guidelines for Meetings | After consultation with the Parliamentarian, the Guidelines became 1.5 pages  Have been distributed and made available on Senate web page |  |
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| Chancellor Search | As part of the Search Committee, President Gomez addressed the SEC and sought its sense of the qualities we seek in a new Chancellor – who traditionally have not taken community colleges seriously, despite the fact that 40% of CUNY’s population is enrolled in a two-year school and 60% of students at senior colleges began at a community institution.  He was asked to reach out to colleagues nationally in effort to have an open search.  He invited us to write him any follow-up thoughts. | Committee members spoke variously about desiring a leader who:  -promotes systems innovation and platforms  -realizes that community college faculty are researchers as well as educators, and whose workload is fundamentally unequal compared with those at senior colleges  -values our relationship to community and the local populace is paramount and valuable  -prizes the civic education we pursue here  -would establish internship programs and protect students threatened by DACA repeal  -believes in shared governance and transparency  -advocates for humanities and so-called “soft skills” as fundamental to the future by bringing Digital Humanities and other initiatives to two-year colleges |
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| Curricular Items Presented by  Prof. Figueroa.  \*CSC 205, 300  \*New Computer Science Program  \*BIO 140, 141, 150, 151  \*HLT 225  \*CJ 250 | New Courses – Fix co and pre-requisites to say “/higher”    Add “strongly recommended” to elective choices under:  Life and Physical Science;  Scientific World; Individual and Society; U.S. Experience in its Diversity; Creative Expression; World Culture and Global Issues;  Mathematics and Quantitative Reasoning  New courses for non-nursing majors to be voted as a block  New course  Workshop revision |  |
| **TOPIC** | **DISCUSSION** | **DECISION / ACTION** |
| Senate Agenda | Curricular items for BIO, HLT, and CJ to be added  Motion to move the Assessment Report in the ordering from no. 8 to 10; discussion ensued  Motion to change “Chair’s Remarks” to “Chair’s Report”  Motion to approve agenda as amended | Y=5; N=2; A=1  Unanimous approval  Unanimous approval |
| Adjournment | Motion to adjourn at 5:15 | Unanimous Approval |