

**QUEENSBOROUGH COMMUNITY COLLEGE**  
**The City University of New York**

**Committee on Committees of the Academic Senate**

**MEMORANDUM**

TO: Dr. Kenneth Pearl, Secretary  
Steering Committee of the Academic Senate

FROM: Dr. Thomas J. Gerson, Chairperson  
The Committee on Committees

DATE: August 14, 2004

SUBJECT: Committee on Committees Annual Report, 2003 -2004

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Committee Members for 2003 -2004 were:

<b>Name</b>	<b>Department</b>	<b>Replacing</b>	<b>As of</b>	<b>Expiration of Term</b>
Elyn P. Feldman	HPED	---		May, 2004
Kenneth Golden	Art	---		May, 2004
Irina Rutenburg	Chemistry	---		May, 2004
Thomas J. Gerson	ECET	---		May, 2005
Julia Ortiz-Griffin	Foreign Lang.	Jose Luis Madrigal*	10/14/03	May, 2005
George Thorsen	Library			May, 2005
Peter Bales	Social Sciences	Richard Stripp**	10/14/03	May, 2006
Donna W. Dirico	Nursing	---		May, 2006
Linda Reesman	English	---		May, 2006

\* On leave for the fall 2003 semester

\*\* Resigned from appointment in Dept. of Biological Sciences and Geology in August 2003.

**I. Organizational Meeting - Election of Officers of the Committee on Committees**

At the organization meeting, held at the end of the spring 2003 semester, the newly elected members, Donna Dirico, Linda Reesman, and Richard Stripp, were introduced.

Dr. Thomas Gerson (ECET) and Prof. George Thorsen (Library) were elected Chairperson and Secretary, respectively, for 2003 – 2004.

Committee liaison assignments for 2003-2004 were made, effective immediately. These are shown on the accompanying enclosure.

## II. Vacancies Filled in Academic Senate and on Standing Committees

The Committee on Committees communicated via e-mail and met from time to time to fill vacancies on the Academic Senate and Standing Committees.

### 1. Academic Senate Members-at-Large:

- **Dr. Julia Carol**, of the Department of Basic Skills was on leave for the spring 2004 semester, thus creating a vacancy among the Members-at-Large of the Academic Senate. The person on the list of candidates for the Spring 2003 election, having received the highest vote total among those not elected was **Robert Kueper**, ECET. Accordingly **Prof. Kueper** was appointed as a Member-at-Large of the Academic Senate. His term of office expired with election in April 2004 coinciding with the expiration of Dr. Carroll's term.
- **Dr. Emily Tai**, of the Department of History was on leave for the spring 2004 semester, thus creating a vacancy among the Members-at-Large of the Academic Senate. The person on the list of candidates for the Spring 2003 election, having received the highest vote total among those not elected or previously appointed was **Hamid Namdar**, ECET. Accordingly **Prof. Namdar** was appointed as a Member-at-Large of the Academic Senate. His term of office expired with election in April 2004 coinciding with the expiration of Dr. Tai's term.

### 2. Replacements on Standing Committees of the Academic Senate

- **Prof. Georgina Colalillo**, of the Department of Nursing, was appointed to the **Committee on Ceremonial Occasions**. **Prof. Colalillo** replaced **Prof. Camille Boddin**, of the Department of Nursing, who was on leave for the 2003 – 2004 Academic Year.
- **Dr. Stanley L. Rustin**, of the Department of Student Affairs, was appointed to the **Committee on Course and Standing**. **Dr. Rustin** replaced **Prof. Antonella Ansani**, of the Department of Foreign Languages and Literatures, who had resigned from the committee citing her other college commitments.
- **Dr. Anita C. Ferdenzi**, of the Department of Social Sciences, was appointed to the **Committee on Ceremonial Occasions**. Dr. Ferdenzi assumed the seat formerly held by the late **Dr. Julia Siverls** of the Department of Social Sciences.
- **Prof. Sheila Beck**, of the Department of the Library, was appointed to the **Committee on Continuing Education**. **Prof. Beck** replaced Dr. Julia Carroll of the Department of Basic Skills, who resigned citing personal reasons.

## III Election of Standing Committees of the Academic Senate for 2004 -2005

Early in the spring 2004 semester, the Committee on Committees solicited applications for nomination to the Standing Committees for the 2004-2005 academic year. A total of 109 faculty members submitted applications for the 68 committee positions available. The Committee on Committees (COC) recommended a full slate of candidates to the Academic Senate; five additional candidates were nominated by petition. The Committee on Committees' slate was overwhelmingly approved by the Academic Senate at it'. Those not elected were sent

a letter identifying alternative avenues for providing service to the College. *The list of the faculty elected in April to Standing committees for the 2004-2005 academic year is attached to this report.*

While presenting the candidates to the Senate, a suggestion was made to provide more information about each candidate on the ballot, e.g. department, full first name, etc. To achieve this end, and to assure that ballots are only submitted by those entitled to vote, the COC is seeking to eliminate traditional paper ballots methods in favor of a system of electronic voting.

#### **IV. Academic Senate Elections**

In accordance with the Bylaws of the Academic Senate, two elections were conducted by the Committee on Committees during the spring 2004 semester:

- Faculty Member-At-Large (14 positions)
- CLT Representative

*The results of the elections are attached to this report.*

#### **V. Outgoing Members**

The chair wishes to thank the outgoing members of the Committee on Committees for their dedicated service to the Committee:

Prof. Elyn Feldman  
Prof. Ken Golden  
and Dr. Irina Rutenburg

Respectfully submitted,

Thomas J. Gerson, Chairperson

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