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Queensborough Community College
The City University of New York

MINUTES
of the May 9, 2017
Academic Senate

President Diane Call called the eighth regularly scheduled meeting of the Academic Senate to order at **3:10 PM**

I. Attendance:

57 votes were recorded at the time attendance was taken; 69 members of the Academic Senate were present during the meeting.

Absentees: Wilma Fletcher-Anthony (grand jury duty), Larissa Honey, Mangala Tawde, Julia Carroll, Richard Tayson, Emil Parrinello SG Administrative VP and SG Programming VP.

II. Consideration of minutes of the April 4, 2017 meeting of the Academic Senate:

A motion was made, seconded, and adopted 59-0-0 to approve the April 4, 2017 minutes as presented (see *Attachment A of the May 9, 2017 Agenda*). Did not vote: Isabella Lizzul, Georgina Colalillo, Reuvain Zahavy, Joanne Chang, Cheryl Spencer, Barbara Blake-Campbell, Edward Volchok, Patrick Wallach, SG Admin VP and SG President Pro Tempore.

III. Communications from:

1. President Call

President Call referred to her written report (*Attachment B of the May 9, 2017 Agenda*). To see the full report, visit:
http://recap.qcc.cuny.edu/renderfile/5d16c3a60a2801324f0c1abe53bfc35/governance/academicSenate/docs/ay2016-17/May_2017/Attachment-B-Presidents-Report-May-2017.pdf

2. Senate Steering Committee Report

Chair Dr. Peter Bales referred to his written report (*Attachment C of the May 9, 2017 Agenda*). For the full report, visit:
http://recap.qcc.cuny.edu/renderfile/5d16c3a60a2801324f0c1abe53bfc35/governance/academicSenate/docs/ay2016-17/May_2017/Attachment-C-SteeringCommittee-Report-May-2017.pdf

IV. Elections

Elections for the Committee on Committees, Steering Committee, Senate Technology Officer and Parliamentarian were conducted by CoC chair Christine Mooney.

Committee on Committees

Nominations for four open positions for the 2017 academic year (3 terms expiring and one vacated by fellowship leave) on the Committee on Committees: Stephen Hammel (Business), Pete Mauro (Art and Design), Bryn Mader (Biology) and Elizabeth Toohey (English).

56 Senator David Humphries, Chair of the Department of English, made a motion to grant a waiver to allow
57 Dr. Elizabeth Toohey to be nominated for another term (see Senate Bylaws Section 1, 8b), given that she
58 replaced another member of the committee who resigned near the end of term.
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60 A **motion was made, seconded, and adopted 66-2-0** to allow a waver for Dr. Toohey so she
61 may be nominated and continue to serve on the CoC. Voted no: Isabella Lizzul and Craig Weber.
62 Did not vote: Joanne Chang.
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64 Since there were four nominees for four positions, the Secretary of the Steering Committee cast a single
65 ballot on behalf to elect Stephen Hammel, Pete Mauro, Bryn Mader and Elizabeth Toohey to a term on
66 the Committee on Committees.
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68 **Steering Committee**

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70 Nominations for the position of Chair of the Steering Committee: Edmund Clingan (History) and Joel
71 Kuszai (English). Results: Kuszai elected with 57 votes, Clingan with 10.
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73 Nomination for Vice Chair: Emily Tai (History). Since there were no other nominees, Tai was elected with
74 a single vote cast by the Secretary on behalf of the Senate.
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76 Nomination for Secretary: John Talbird (English). Since there were no other nominees, Talbird was
77 elected with a single vote cast by the Secretary on behalf of the Senate.
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79 **Senate Technology Officer**

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81 Nomination for Senate Technology Officer: Jeffrey Schwartz (Engineering Technology). Since there were
82 no other nominees, Schwartz was elected with a single vote cast by the Secretary on behalf of the
83 Senate.
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85 **Senate Parliamentarian**

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87 Nomination for Senate Parliamentarian: **[Need to consult with Parliamentarian about how best to record**
88 **what happened with this election.]**
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91 **V. Potential Graduates**

92 **List of Potential Graduates for June 2017**

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95 A **motion was made, seconded, and adopted 62-0-0** to approve the list of potential graduates
96 for June 2017 (*Attachment D of the May 9, 2017 Agenda*).
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98 Did not vote: David Lieberman. (Student senators not permitted to vote on graduate lists.)
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100 **List of Potential Graduates for August 2017**

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102 A **motion was made, seconded, and adopted 62-0-0** to approve the list of potential graduates
103 for August 2017 (*Attachment E of the May 9, 2017 Agenda*).
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105 Did not vote: Denise Ward. (Student senators not permitted to vote on graduate lists.)
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106 **VI. Monthly Reports of the Committees of the Academic Senate**

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108 1. **Committee on Bylaws: Food Insecurity Committee Resolution** (*Attachment F of the May 9,*
109 *2017 Agenda*).
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111 A motion was made, seconded, and adopted 67-2-0 to approve making the Food Insecurity
112 Committee a permanent standing committee of the Academic Senate (*Attachment F of the May 9,*
113 *2017 Agenda*). No votes: Gilmar Visoni and Kenneth Pearl.

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115 2. **Committee on Committees:** The Academic Senate received the Monthly Report for April 2017
116 (*Attachment G of the May 9, 2017 Agenda*).

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118 3. **Committee on Curriculum:** The Academic Senate received the Monthly Report for April 2017
119 (*Attachment H of the May 9, 2017 Agenda*) and acted on the following items:

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122 **1. Course Revisions**

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124 **DEPARTMENT of SOCIAL SCIENCES**

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126 **CRIM 201 Policing**

127 **CRIM 202 Corrections and Sentencing**

128 **CRIM 203 Criminal Law**

129 **CRIM 204 Crime and Justice in the Urban Community**

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132 A motion was made, seconded, and adopted 68-0-0 to approve changes to CRIM 201, CRIM
133 202, CRIM 203 AND CRIM 204 in the Department of Social Sciences. (*See Attachment H of the*
134 *May 9, 2017 Agenda*). Did not vote: SG Administrative VP.

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136 **DEPARTMENT of BUSINESS**

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138 **CIS-153 Microcomputer Operating Systems and Utility Software**

139 **CIS-204 Web Design**

140 **CIS-251 Analysis and Design of Systems Projects**

141 **CIS-252 Application Development for Mobile Devices**

142 **CIS-254 Data Security for Business**

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144 A motion was made, seconded, and adopted 67-0-0 to approve changes to **CIS-153, CIS-204**
145 **CIS-251 CIS-252 and CIS-254** in the Department of Business. (*See Attachment H of the May 9,*
146 *2017 Agenda*). Did not vote: Gilmar Visoni, SG Administrative VP.

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148 **2. New Courses**

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150 **DEPARTMENT of HISTORY**

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152 **HIST-240 "Environmental History of North America."**

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154 A motion was made, seconded, and adopted 63-3-1 to approve **HIST240** as a new course in
155 the Department of History. (*See Attachment H of the May 9, 2017 Agenda*). No Votes: Isabella
156 Lizzul, Cheryl Spencer, Peter Irigoyen. Abstention: Jeanne Galvin. Did not vote: Bob Rogers, SG
157 Administrative VP.

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159 **DEPARTMENT of SOCIAL SCIENCES**

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161 **CRIM-106 Introduction to Criminal Justice Research**

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163 A motion was made, seconded, and adopted 68-1-0 to approve CRIM 106 as a new course in
164 the Department of Social Sciences. (*See Attachment H of the May 9, 2017 Agenda*). No vote: SG
165 President Pro-Tempore.
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167 **DEPARTMENT of SPEECH COMMUNICATION AND THEATER ARTS**

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169 **SP-101 Introduction to Communication Studies**

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171 A motion was made, seconded, and adopted 69-0-0 to approve SP-101 as a new course in the
172 Department of Speech Communication and Theater Arts. (See Attachment H of the May 9, 2017
173 Agenda).

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175 **SP-212 Interpersonal Communication**

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177 A motion was made, seconded, and adopted 68-1-0 to approve SP-212 as a new course in the
178 Department of Speech Communication and Theater Arts. (See Attachment H of the May 9, 2017
179 Agenda). No vote: SG President Pro-Tempore.

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181 **SP-213 Intercultural Communication**

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183 A motion was made, seconded, and adopted 67-0-0 to approve SP-213 as a new course in the
184 Department of Speech Communication and Theater Arts. (See Attachment H of the May 9, 2017
185 Agenda). Did not vote: Michel Hodge and Edward Volchok.

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187 **SP-214 Communication in a Professional Setting**

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189 A motion was made, seconded, and adopted 67-0-0 to approve SP-214 as a new course in the
190 Department of Speech Communication and Theater Arts. (See Attachment H of the May 9, 2017
191 Agenda). Did not vote: Richard Yuster and Ann Tullio.

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194 **3. Program Revisions**

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196 **DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SCIENCES**

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198 A motion was made, seconded, and adopted 68-0-0 to approve changes to the Dual-Joint
199 AS/BA Degree in Criminal Justice program with John Jay College of Criminal Justice. (See
200 Attachment H of the May 9, 2017 Agenda). Did not vote: Cheryl Spencer.

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202 **SPEECH COMMUNICATION AND THEATER ARTS**

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204 A motion was made, seconded, and adopted 67-0-0 to approve a new Communication Studies
205 concentration in the A.A. in Liberal Arts (See Attachment H of the May 9, 2017 Agenda). Did not
206 vote: Laura Sabani.

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208 **VII. Old Business**

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210 None.

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212 **VIII. New Business**

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214 **Water Safety Resolution**

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216 A motion was made, seconded, and adopted 52-8-8 to allow for 15 minutes of debate on the
217 issue of water sampling/testing on the QCC campus (Attachment J of the May 9, 2017
218 Agenda). Voted no: Rosemary Zins, Sasan Karimi, Anne Marie Menendez, Steven Dalkhe,
219 Barbara Blake-Campbell, Craig Weber, Pedro Irigoyen and SG Treasurer. Abstentions: Diane
220 Call, Sherri Newcomb, Karen Steele, Denise Ward, Isabella Lizzul, Alexandra Tarasko, Peter
221 Irigoyen and SG President Pro-Tempore. Did not vote: SG President.

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223 In discussion with the senate, Senator Newcomb, speaking on behalf of the Administration, assented to
224 the terms of a statement that was projected on the screen. It appears as follows:
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226 “The QCC Administration is committed to an ongoing water fountain-testing protocol, to be developed in
227 consultation with industry experts, and performed by them, commencing this summer. The testing
228 protocol will focus on areas frequented by children, concurrently with testing in all of our 14 buildings. A
229 status report will be provided to the Senate’s Committee on Environment, Quality of Life, and Disability
230 Issues prior to the end of the 2017-2018 academic year.”
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234 The meeting was adjourned at 4:25 PM

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236 Respectfully Submitted,

237 John Talbird

238 Secretary, Steering Committee of the Academic Senate