

BROOKLYN COLLEGE
OF THE CITY UNIVERSITY OF NEW YORK
FACULTY COUNCIL
December 13, 2022

Minutes of November 15, 2022

- (6855) Call to order The second meeting of Faculty Council for the 2022-23 academic year was called to order at 3:30 pm by Professor Shortell (SOCY).
- (6856) Roll call The roll call was taken at the door. Department Chairs and Representatives: Qi (BIOL), Thibodeau (CLAS), Cheng (E&ES), Goldberg (ECON), McFadden (ECAE), Axen (HNS), Shapiro (Judaic), Suarez (PHYC), Ness & Estey (POLS): Delegates: Entin (Humanities), Raphan & Suarez (NBS), Jensen-Moulton (VMPA) were absent (-14); Xie (ACCT), Rifkin (BUSN), Kyprianou (CBSE), MacDonald (FILM), Mallery (LIBR), Muth (NBS), Tomkiewicz (PHYS), Parmar (SEED), Banerjee & Carp (Humanities), Jiesamfoek (EDUC), Nissenbaum (Prog Dir) were excused (12); Administrators Conell, Cumming, Eaton, Hu, & Scharron del Rio were also absent and excused. All other members were present.
- (6857) Minutes of October 25, 2022 The minutes of October 25, 2022 were approved unanimously.
- (6858) Steering Committee Professor Shortell announced the December election for two members of the Committee on Committees. The Resolution on Membership in Faculty Council for Student Government Liaison passed 67 yeas, 2 nays, and 1 abstention.
- (6859) Communications from the Administration President Anderson provided an update about the Strategic Enrollment Plan and its action items, which dovetail with Faculty Council committees and other governance structures at Brooklyn College. She focused on the following efforts: the retention of undergraduates through the development of a first-year experience program, the design of a website specific to first-year

students, and orientation for these students; the streamlining of the graduate admissions process; the development of new programs; the ramping up of enrollment recruitment efforts; the enhancement of recruitment of potential transfer students; the integration of budget and facilities work with the priorities of the SEM plan; efforts to enhance student retention and internal morale; and ideas about how faculty, students, and staff can help with these efforts. She also announced the co-curricular funding program BC in the City, which supports faculty interested in creating New York City-based events for students. Interested faculty should contact the Office of Student Affairs. A discussion about the following issues ensued: the role of the Committee on Admissions, retention rates between the first and second undergraduate years, and the role of Office of Communications and Marketing in recruitment.

(6860)
University
Faculty Senate
Liaison

Professor Cohen reported on the most recent meeting of the University Faculty Senate, at which Executive Vice Chancellor and University Provost Hensel was a guest. Among the items discussed were the following: student retention, the development of CUNY Online, the analytics necessary to collect information about students and predict student needs, the number of in-person and on-line courses. The Chair's Report focused on SUNY's pursuit of New York City students. The Advisory Committee on Diversity, the Community College Committee, and the Budget Advisory Committee provided reports. President Anderson announced that EVC & Provost Hensel will visit Brooklyn College on February 9, 2023 and will have the opportunity to engage with faculty members.

(6861) Degree
List

There was no Degree List for this meeting.

(6862) Reports
of Standing
Committees

Committee on Undergraduate Curriculum & Degree Requirements: Curriculum Document 421 was approved with a vote of 72 yeas, 0 nays, and 1 abstention.

Committee on Graduate Curriculum & Degree Requirements: Curriculum Document 271 with change was approved with a vote of 72 yeas, 0 nays, and 1 abstention.

Committee on Research: The annual report was submitted and accepted.

Committee on Library: Professor Fischer (ACCT) led a conversation about innovation at the Brooklyn College Library, which reflected on changes the Library has made recently and included ideas for other changes.

Committee on Advisement: Professor Wills (History) requested that faculty members encourage students to complete a survey about their experiences at Brooklyn College and work/life balance. A conversation about the following ensued: how students will be able to complete the survey; the distribution of the results of the survey; discussion of the survey during class time; and the contents of the survey.

(6863) Old
Business

There was no old business.

(6864) New
Business

There was no new business.

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Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 4:40 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Tim Shortell
Chair

Martha Nadell
Secretary