

BROOKLYN COLLEGE
OF THE CITY UNIVERSITY OF NEW YORK
FACULTY COUNCIL
February 7, 2023

Minutes of December 13, 2022

- (6866) Call to order The fourth meeting of Faculty Council for the 2022-23 academic year was called to order at 3:30 pm by Professor Shortell (SOCY).
- (6867) Roll call The roll call was taken at the door. Department Chairs and Representatives: Qi (BIOL), Schur & Thibodeau (CLAS), Shannon (ECAE), Anzola (FGSW), Shapiro (Judaic), Gythfeldt (MUSC), Campos (PHIL), Hardin (PSCY), Suarez (PHYC), Mena (PRLS), De La Cruz (SPCL): Delegates: Entin (Humanities), Jensen-Moulton (VMPA) & Hejtmanek (Prog Dir) were absent (-15); Rifkin (BUSN), Nadell (ENGL). MacDonald (FILM), Chang (MLAN), Tomkiewicz (PHYS), Parmar (SEED), Banerjee, Entin & Carp (Humanities), Jiesamfoek (EDUC), Nissenbaum (Prog Dir) were excused (12): Administrators Bedford, Conell, Cumming, Eaton, Hu, McGinnis, O'Reilly, Scharron del Rio were also absent and excused. All other members were present.
- (6868) Minutes of October 25, 2022 The minutes of November 15, 2022 were approved unanimously.
- (6869) Steering Committee Professors Hashmi (TREM), Levy (CASD), and Sosa (FILM) were nominated. Professors Hashmi and Levy were elected to the Committee on Committees.
- (6870) Communications from the Administration President Anderson discussed Brooklyn College's mission to serve the students of Brooklyn, especially those who have been historically left out of higher education, and to act as an engine of social mobility. She then provided updates about end-of-semester events, including a recent a meeting of faculty, deans, and directors about fundraising, the staff advisory committee meeting, a

reception sponsored by the LGBTQ center to celebrate its new director, a holiday brunch for faculty and staff, and the Committee Master Planning's plans for an open town hall on the budget. She spoke about winter and spring enrollment and retention and discussed how faculty can help with retention, including one-on-one engagement with students, the use of EAB Navigate, and participating in prospective student tours. She referred faculty to the one-page information sheet with this information, as well as contact information for student support.

President Anderson then spoke about the awareness campaign for prospective students, which includes a new virtual campus tour, a newly redesigned website, social media, and advertisements.

A discussion about the following ensued: Brooklyn College's social media campaign; resources and support for updating departmental webpages; the audience for the website; Brooklyn College's commitment to diversity and its recruitment and support of black students; balancing investment in the promotion of Brooklyn College and in college infrastructure; funding challenges in public higher education; the heat problem on campus and possible strategies to address it; resources for emergency maintenance, including those from CUNY Central, and ways of navigating responses to emergencies; the master plan for facilities; and the context for the emergency maintenance issues.

(6871)
Committee on
Committees

Professor Levy announced vacancies on the Committees for Student Advisement and Academic Integrity,

(6872) Degree
List

Degree Lists 2023/5 & 6 was approved with a vote of 69 yeas, 0 nays, and 0 abstentions.

(6873) Reports
of Standing
Committees

Committee on Undergraduate Curriculum & Degree Requirements: Curriculum Document 422 was approved with a vote of 71 yeas, 1 nay, and 2 abstentions.

Committee on Graduate Curriculum & Degree Requirements: The resolution to remove page 4 from Curriculum Document 272 passed with a vote of 39 yeas, 29 nays, and 5 abstentions. Curriculum Document 272 passed with changes was approved with a vote of 71 yeas, 1 nay, and 2 abstentions.

Committee on Computer Utilization and Educational Technology: The committee provided an update on its report on innovation.

Committee on Graduate Admissions & Standards: The Resolution Concerning Maintenance of Matriculation Fees for Graduate Students was approved with a vote of 57 yeas, 1 nay, and 1 abstention.

Committee on Student Advisement: The annual report was presented and accepted.

(6874) Old
Business

There was no old business.

(687) New
Business

A discussion of the Rapid Response Team pilot program took place.

(6865)
Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 5:20 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Tim Shortell
Chair

Martha Nadell
Secretary