

Faculty Senate Minutes #403

April 25, 2013

1:40 PM

Room L.61 NB

Present (29): Simon Baatz, Andrea Balis, Ned Benton, Adam Berlin, Erica Burleigh, James Cauthen, Kashka Celinska, Elise Champeil, Janice Johnson Dias, Janice Dunham, Peggy Escher, Terry Furst, Lior Gideon, Charles Jennings, Karen Kaplowitz, Kwando Kinshasa, Maria Kiriakova, Tom Kucharski, Anru Lee, Richard Li, Cyriaco Lopes, Amie Macdonald, Vincent Maiorino, Roger McDonald, Brian Montes, David Munns, Melinda Powers, Francis Sheehan, Shonna Trinch

Absent (18): Chevy Alford, Demi Cheng, Lyell Davies, Maria Grewe, Maki Haberfeld, Jay Hamilton, Tim Horohoe, Shaobai Kan, Ma'at Lewis, Yue Ma, Evan Mandery, Michael Maxfield, Jean Mills, Richard Ocejo, Hyunhee Park, Raul Romero, Manouska Saint-Gilles, Staci Strobl

Guest: Professor Emeritus Edward Davenport

Agenda

- 1. Adoption of the agenda**
- 2. Adoption of Minutes #402 of the April 10, 2013 meeting**
- 3. Announcements & Reports**
- 4. Election Part #2 of 2013-14 at-large Faculty Senate & College Council members**
- 5. Review and discussion about the Middle States Visiting Team's assessment of JJ**
- 6. Proposal to establish an ad hoc Faculty Senate Elections Committee**
- 7. Review of the April 15 meeting of the College Council**
- 8. Space and Budget Reports**
- 9. Resolution on Space Planning**
- 10. Proposed Online Educational Policy**
- 11. Report of the International Education Task Force**
- 12. Proposal from the Council of Chairs to revise the faculty personnel processes**
- 13. Invited Guest: President Jeremy Travis**

1. Adoption of the agenda. Approved.

2. Adoption of Minutes #402 of the April 10, 2013 meeting. Approved.

3. Announcements & Reports . Noted.

4. Election Part #2 of 2013-14 at-large Faculty Senate & College Council members

A call for candidates for the second phase of the Faculty Senate at-large election resulted in seven candidates; there are seven open positions. By secret ballot, all seven candidates were elected:

Adam Berlin – English
Kashka Celinska – LPS
Jennifer Dysart – Psychology
DeeDee Falkenbach – Psychology

Charles McKenzie – English
Dainius Remeza – English
Raul Rubio – FLL

5. Review and discussion about the Middle States Visiting Team's assessment of JJ. Noted.

6. Proposal to establish an ad hoc Faculty Senate Elections Committee: Executive Committee

The Senate unanimously approved the Executive Committee's proposal to both establish an ad hoc elections committee charged with bringing recommendations to the Senate's May 10 meeting for conducting the May 23 elections and to ask Senator James Cauthen to chair it. Senator Cauthen invited other Senators to join him and said he would survey the other CUNY colleges to determine how their faculty senates conduct their elections.

7. Review of the April 15 meeting of the College Council. Noted.

8. Space and Budget Reports: Senator Ned Benton

Senator Benton distributed two charts: one on John Jay's space and the space data for the other CUNY colleges [Attachment] and the second on John Jay's expenditures per student FTE and the data for the other CUNY colleges [Attachment].

9. Resolution on Space Planning: Executive Committee

The Resolution was adopted with the following amendments: the addition of "and related research space" to the third resolved clause; and the addition of a final resolved clause as follows:

The University should also give priority and attention to the Library Project, including the hiring of a Library consultant, which had been proposed in CUNY's 2013-14 Capital Budget Request.

10. Proposed Online Educational Policy

A Senator acknowledged the inclusion, as had been recommended by the Senate, of language in the draft policy about verifying that the student taking an online course is the student registered for that course but questioned the absence of language about students who cheat during online tests and projects. It was agreed that this item would be returned to the May 10 Senate agenda, in time for discussion prior to the vote on it at the May 16 College Council meeting.

11. Report of the International Education Task

The Report was praised by a number of Senators. But concern was raised about two matters: first, the heavy financial investment being proposed in order to create and fill five new positions at a time when the College is facing a \$2.5 million deficit next year and at a time when many other budget priorities are competing with it; and, second, the proposal for a free-standing international study governance structure outside the College Council and outside all Charter governance bodies. Page 48 of the Report contains this proposal, which is

The creation of an International Advisory Board (IAB) composed of faculty, students, administrators with interests and responsibilities in the internationalization of the College. The IAB

- a. should be instituted along lines similar to the College Council and other governance bodies, with proportional representation from the different College constituencies and election through, for example, the Faculty Senate, with administrative representation from units most involved in international education;*
- b. will advise and work directly with the SIO [Senior International Officer] on policies and strategies related to international education;*
- c. will hold regular meetings convened by the SIO with the staff support of his/her office.*

A motion was made and seconded:

Given that the International Studies Task Force in its Report of March 5, 2013, proposes the creation and hiring of five new full-time positions and the establishment of an International Advisory Board whose activities and responsibilities would involve academic programs and credit-bearing courses, the Faculty Senate unanimously recommends that the creation and filling of these positions be implemented in stages; that revenue sources be identified for international programs and administrators and staff; that the implementation of these hires be based on revenues actually generated

by international education programs; and that the proposed International Advisory Board be part of the existing governance structures of the College.

12. Proposal from the Council of Chairs to revise the faculty personnel processes

Senators Benton and Kaplowitz explained that this item was put on the agenda prematurely; the Council of Chairs is working on a proposal which it will be bringing to the Faculty Personnel Committee (FPC). Because it is anticipated that this will happen prior to the Senate's next meeting, the Senate's Executive Committee plans to place this item on the agenda of the Senate's May 10 meeting.

13. Invited Guest: President Jeremy Travis. Noted.

The meeting was adjourned at 3:15 PM.

Submitted by
The Executive Committee