

QUEENSBOROUGH COMMUNITY COLLEGE
 The City University of New York

ACADEMIC SENATE

COMMITTEE ON ENVIRONMENT, QUALITY OF LIFE, AND DISABILITY ISSUES

To: The Steering Committee

From: G. Colalillo, Chair

Subject: Annual Report

Date: June 9, 2006

TOPIC	DISCUSSION	DECISION
NAMING GUIDELINES: Naming of buildings, rooms, facilities	G. Colalillo and M. Van Ells met with Rosemary Zins in October, 2005 regarding proposal for updating and revising current naming guidelines	R. Zins will meet with the committee to present the new guidelines when they are completed. Agreed on: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - No commercially named buildings - No naming after controversial people or organizations
NAMING OF THE HOLOCAUST RESOURCE CENTER AND ARCHIVES	The committee was asked to vote on the naming of the Holocaust Resource Center as the Harriet & Kenneth Kupferberg Center	The committee participated in the voting. All members approving the naming (with a quorum responding) and the results were sent to the Chairperson QCC Academic Senate
ALLOCATION OF SPACE: Faculty/Administrative Personnel	Recommendation from the Academic Senate regarding a change in bylaw charge "C" which addresses requests for change in allocation and use of all space and facilities	Academic Senate has requested that the Committee on Bylaws remove section "C" from the charge of the Committee on Environment, Quality of Life and Disability Issues. The committee remains directed with this change of charge
QCC MASTER PLAN/MINI MODEL	The QCC Master plan was sent to committee by Diane Call In addition, the committee met with Jim Fox, Campus Facilities Planning and viewed mini model and discussed future plans for QCC	The Master Plan was circulated via interoffice mail to all committee members. Each committee member has had the opportunity to review and familiarize themselves with the master plan.

<p>STUDENTS WITH DISABILITIES</p>	<p>Report by Barbara Bookman: Virtual accessibility and assistive technology are in excellent condition and the physical aspects of the campus are continually being addressed.</p> <p>Dr. Call reported: other initiatives for students with disabilities are pending</p> <p>Tigermail ADA complaint from a student was forwarded to Dr. Pecorino</p> <p>Safety Issues for students with disabilities discussed</p>	<p>Barbara Bookman will continue to meet with the committee regularly and report issues and updates.</p> <p>The college is pricing ADA-compliant lever handles for interior doors and a budget and schedule for purchasing and installing of these handles is in the working</p> <p>The website was in compliance and the problem of access was due to a glitch in the technology the student was using. The problem was fixed and the student is able to access the website. No further action will be taken by the committee.</p> <p>Red security phones have been upgraded and repositioned to be ADA compliant Closed-captioned video monitor for hearing impaired students is in the process of being evaluated.</p>
<p>PARKING LOT ISSUES</p>	<p>Incidents of vandalism and accidents in the faculty parking lot were reported to the committee during Fall 2005 semester (Sept. 2005)</p>	<p>Mark Van Ells was delegated the responsibility of monitoring complaints for the committee to address. In addition, he will monitor security reports and report back to committee.</p> <p>The committee will address each incident and make recommendations as warranted.</p> <p>No further incidences were reported.</p>

<p>POOL USE BY FACULTY</p>	<p>Complaint by a faculty member that swimming pool access is no longer unrestricted to faculty members. There are numerous reasons that swimming pool access by faculty may be restricted</p> <p>Margot Edlin contacted Aaron Krac on clarification of pool hours and availability of use by faculty</p>	<p>The committee would not make any changes in policy but would attempt to obtain a schedule of pool hours and what, if any, fee is assessed to faculty wishing to use the pool. Faculty would be required to abide to the schedule.</p> <p>The hours for pool use by faculty are Monday to Thursday from 11:00 to 1:00 p.m. If a faculty member desires to use the pool in the evening and on weekends, they must pay a fee to the Office of Continuing Education. The committee will inquire about how this information is disseminated.</p>
<p>HEALTH AND SAFETY ISSUES</p>	<p>Additional Safety Initiatives as reported by V.P Call</p>	<p>Red security phones have been upgraded and repositioned to be ADA compliant</p>
<p>Security and Public Safety</p>	<p>Appointment of Director of Security and Public Safety</p>	<p>Pending the retirement of Joseph Cunningham, the new head of security will be Eugene Lock</p>