

Queensborough Community College
The City University of New York

MINUTES
of the April 12, 2011
Academic Senate

Interim President Diane Call called the seventh regularly scheduled meeting of the Academic Senate to order at 3:15 p.m.

I. Attendance:

The complete Senate roster is available at
http://www.qcc.cuny.edu/Governance/AcademicSenate/academic_senate_roster.asp

As determined from the attendance taken by the i-clickers at the meeting, there were twenty-eight absentees.

Ansani, Antonella	BBlake-Campbell, Barbara	Colalillo, Georgina	
Regina Cardaci	Todd Holden	Pedro Irigoyen	Jue, Chong
David Klarberg	Liza Larios	Devin McKay	Edlin, Margot
Lana Zinger	SG Executive VP	SG President	Kuszai, Joel
SG VP for Evening Students	Jacobowitz, Susan	Larios, Liza	
Menendez, Anne Marie	Rochford, Regina	SG President Pro Tempore	
SG Treasurer	SG VP for PT Students	Steele, Karen	Valentino, James
Wallach, Patrick	Weber, Craig	White, Eileen	

II. Consideration of minutes of the March 8, 2011:

- A **motion** was **made, seconded, and approved** to approve the March 8, 2011 minutes (*Attachment A of the April 12, 2011 Agenda*). This vote passed unanimously.

III. Communications from:

President Call

- President Call referred to her written report.
- President Call reported that enrollment fell slightly below the original number of students expected.
- President Call reported that the new Special Budget Advisory Committee of the Academic Senate had met for the first time with Vice-President Sherri Newcomb, and that it had been an extremely productive meeting. She is hoping that this will be an opportunity for faculty and administration to share ideas about the budget.

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- President Call reported on the most recent developments for the New York State budget. While the spring tuition increase for 2011 was recognized, the forthcoming fall tuition increase was not, which may be difficult for senior colleges, although its implications for community colleges may not be as significant. Chancellor Goldstein is continuing to press for the implementation of a “rational tuition policy” (in other words, modest annual increases). Some of the cuts proposed for FTE funding were restored from the anticipated cut of \$226 per student. However, there has been a “constant erosion” from the state budget over the past decade.
- New York City may impose a cut of \$21 Million dollars upon CUNY Community colleges.
- President Call recorded that Chancellor Goldstein was extremely pleased with the exchange with faculty and especially students at his campus visit on March 30, 2011.
- President Call extended her congratulations to Dr. Michael Guy (Mathematics and Computer Science) who was the recipient of a Chancellor’s Award for Excellence in Undergraduate Mathematics Education.
- President Call also acknowledged the excellent presentation made by Nidhur Ganhuri (Biology and Geological Sciences); Amy Traver (Social Sciences); and Regina Rochford (Basic Skills) at the American Association of Community College on Monday, April 11, 2011 in New Orleans.
- President Call extended her congratulations to Professor Alexandra Tarasko, on her election as Chair of the Faculty Executive Committee. She reminded member of the faculty that they have the opportunity to represent their colleagues on ten separate committees.
- President Call also acknowledged newly elected Student Government President Oluwadamisi Atanda, and his administration.
- President Call reminded Senators that there was still time to buy tickets for the Partners for Progress Gala, scheduled for Thursday, April 28, 2011 at Terrace on the Park. The honoree this year would be the retired Chair of the Faculty Executive Committee and the English Department, Dr. Sheena Gillespie.
- Mark Kupferberg, who is on the Advisory Board of the Harriet and Kenneth Kupferberg Resource Center and Archives will be a panelist at Chancellor Goldstein’s forthcoming “Philanthropy Forum.”
- Other important dates for the College would be the forthcoming Honors Convocation, on May 31, 2011, and Graduation on June 3, 2011.
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Senate Steering Committee:

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- Dr. Tai referred to her written report.
- Dr. Tai also acknowledged newly elected Student Government President Oluwadamisi Atanda, and his administration.
- Dr. Tai yielded the floor to Professor Sheila Beck, in order to conduct the election from the Senate floor to approve the slate of proposed members of committees of the Academic Senate (as per the Committee on Committee’s Report to the Academic

- 108 Senate, attachment E.) The slate had a very high number of
109 petitioning committee members who were noted on the slate with
110 an asterisk, and there was some discussion about the way in
111 which the election was to be conducted.
112 • Dr. Tai drew the attention of senator to the CUNY University
113 Faculty Senate Resolution on Transfer and General Education at
114 CUNY, indicating that this matter would be put to the Senate as
115 a Resolution at the forthcoming May Senate.
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117 **V. Monthly Reports of Standing Committees of the Academic Senate**
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- 119 • Committee on Committees (Attachment E) - Accepted as Presented
120 • After an interval during with Senator Aranzazu Borrachero presented her report for the
121 Committee on Curriculum (as per Attachment F, and below), Professor Sheila Beck and
122 the members of the Committee on Committees announced the results of the election to
123 approve the assignments to Committees of the Academic Senate as presented:
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125 **Academic Development/Elective Academic Programs (5 members)**

- 126 Gray, Peter (English)
127 Golebiewska, Urzula (Biology & Geology)
128 Marcus, Sandra (Library)
129 Salis, Andrea (Health, Physical Education and Dance)
130 Sporn, Howard
131 Steering Committee Designee: Bentley, Lawrence
132 Submitted by Petition: Helene Dunkelblau
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134 **Admissions (5 members)**

- 135 Aikas, Rose-Marie (Social Sciences)
136 Clingan, Edmund (History)
137 Colalillo, Georgiana (Nursing)
138 Ford, Kelly (Business)
139 Urciuoli, Jannette (Student Affairs)
140 Steering Committee Designee: Susan Hock
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142 **Assessment and Institutional Effectiveness (7 members)**

- 143 Salvitti-McGill, Georgia (Speech and Theatre)
144 Beck, Sheila (Library)
145 Burke, Patricia (Nursing)
146 Hemraj-Benny, Tirandai (Chemistry)
147 McLaughlin, Susan (Biology and Geology)
148 Rochford, Regina (Basic Skills)

149 Sullivan, Regina (Biology)
150 Steering Committee Designee: Shele Bannon
151 Submitted by Petition: Maurizio Santoro; Dimitios Kokkinos
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Awards and Scholarships (3 members)

154 Lall-Ramnarine, Sharon (Chemistry)
155 Reeves, Sharon (Foreign Languages)
156 Bugg, Kimberly (Library)
157 Steering Committee Designee: John Gilleadeau
158 Submitted by Petition: George Muchita
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Bylaws (5 members)

161 Mader, Bryn (Biology and Geology)
162 Mohess, Neera (Library)
163 Meltzer, Linda (Business)
164 Ren, Tian (Mathematics and Computer Science)
165 Tittmann, Eileen (Nursing)
166 Steering Committee Designee: Shannon Kincaid
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Ceremonial Occasions (3 members)

169 Burdi, Glenn (Business)
170 Cesarano, Michael (Speech and Theatre)
171 Loeffler, Helmut (History)
172 Steering Committee Designee: Kimberly Jeffries
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Computer Resources (7 members)

175 Bayer, Tina (Nursing)
176 Ford, Wendy (Business)
177 Gadhura, Nidhi (Biology and Geology)
178 Guy, Michael (Mathematics and Computer Science)
179 Jia, Peijun (Library)
180 Shekoyan, Vazgen (Physics)
181 Traver, Amy (Social Science)
182 Steering Committee Designee: Kathleen Kilcoyne
183 Submitted by Petition: Kenneth Golden
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Continuing Education

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Alaiz-Losada, Susana (Foreign Languages)

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Jankowski, Jeffrey (Social Sciences)

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Van Ells, Mark (History)

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Steering Committee Designee: Barbara Rome

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Course and Standing (9 members)

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Buoncora, John (ECET)

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Capozzoli, Gina (Student Affairs)

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Dahike, Steven (Music)

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Gordon, John (Mathematics and Computer Science)

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Mertz, Lisa (Health, Physical Education and Dance)

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Saur, Barbara (Nursing)

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Small, Valerie (Speech)

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Timbilla, James (Biology and Geology)

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Tucker-Manzo, Christina (Business)

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Steering Committee Designee: Emily Gordon

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Submitted by Petition: Carolyn King

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Cultural and Archival Resources (5 members)

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Carroll, Julia (Basic Skills)

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Cupelli, Lorraine (Nursing)

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Lizzul, Isabella (Dance)

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Perel, Zivah (English)

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Schwartz, Jeffrey (ECET)

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Steering Committee Designee: Cheryl Meddles-Torres

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Submitted by Petition: Michael Ritchie

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Curriculum (7 members)

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Chauhan, Moni (Chemistry)

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Klarberg, David (Biology and Geology)

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McKay, Devin (Library)

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Pecorino, Philip (Social Sciences)

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Tai, Emily (History)

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Warsi, Jilani (Basic Skills)

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221 Yuster, Richard (ECET)
222 Steering Committee Designee: Caf Dowlah
223 Submitted by Petition: Wilvena Gordon
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225 **eLearning (7 members)**

226 Blake-Campbell, Barbara (Nursing)
227 Boccio, Dona V. (Mathematics and Computer and Science)
228 Dehipawala, Sunil (Physics)
229 Moody, Anissa (Social Sciences)
230 Rofofsky-Marcus, Sara (Library)
231 Sarno, David (Chemistry)
232 Sehman, Melanie (Music)
233 Steering Committee Designee: Mangala Tawde
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235 **Environment, Quality of Life, and Disability Issues (5 members)**

236 Bartls, Elizabeth (Social Sciences)
237 Francis, Leslie (Business)
238 Moh, Nam Jong (Mathematics and Computer Science)
239 Pincus, Dion (Writing Center)
240 Stroehlein, Margaret (Nursing)
241 Steering Committee Designee: Steven Frishman
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243 **Library (3 members)**

244 Gurtas, Yusuf (Mathematics and Computer Science)
245 Madrigal, Jose Luis (Foreign Languages)
246 Poulsen, Jane (Social Sciences)
247 Steering Committee Designee: Elizabeth DiGiorgio
248 Submitted by Petition: Haishen Yao, Laura Sabini
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250 **Publications (3 members)**

251 Amicucci, Bernadette (Nursing)
252 Mangra, Danny (ECET)
253 Nguyen, Andrew (Biology and Geology)
254 Steering Committee Designee: Kostas Stroumbakis
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257 **Student Activities (3 members)**

258 Mayeli, Azita (Mathematics and Computer Sciences)

259 Novick, Peter (Biology and Geology)

260 Rosen, Ted (Business)

261 Steering Committee Designee: Susan Garcia

262 Submitted by Petition: Barbara Lynch, Elizabeth DiGiorgio, Bahar Baheri, Evelyn Tam,
263 Changiz Alizadeh

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265 **Vendor Services (5 members)**

266 Berlinger, Manette (Basic Skills)

267 Cornick, Jonathan (Mathematics and Computer Services)

268 Goldhammer, Eva (Social Sciences)

269 Proteasa, Gheorghe (Biology and Geology)

270 Raya, Eldia (Foreign Languages)

271 Steering Committee Designee: Carol Campbell

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273 **WID/WAC (5 members)**

274 Gayle, Marvin (ECET)

275 Puri, Karan Mohan (Mathematics and Computer Science)

276 Rothenberg, Julia (Social Sciences)

277 Volchok, Edward (Business)

278 Wentrack, Kathleen (Art and Design)

279 Steering Committee Designee: Julia Pigza

280 Submitted by Petition: Jilani Warsi, L. Jim Bentley

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282 **32 Senators voted for the entire slate.**

283 **25 Senators voted against the slate as presented.**

284 **1 vote was deemed invalid because it was torn.**

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286 • Committee on Curriculum (Attachment F)

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288 • Senator Aranzazu Borrachero indicated that the experimental course included in the report of
289 the Committee on Curriculum's report to the Academic Senate, **SP-230 Video Production 1**,
290 was an experimental course, and thus would not require the approval of the Committee on
291 Curriculum at this time.

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293 • Dr. Borrachero also indicated that the Committee on Curriculum had reviewed the proposal
294 for a revised Academic Calendar (in order to create a "fifteenth final examination week" and
295 determined there was no approval needed for this, either—although it was indicated that the

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proposal itself is under revision. It was affirmed by several members of the Committee of Chairs who serve as senators that there was a critical need to move this proposal forward.

New Business:

- Student Government leaders announced the forthcoming Earth Day Celebration scheduled for Wednesday, April 13, 2011.
- Mr. George Sherman indicated that there would be a hearing concerning the Technology Plan on April 14, 2011, at 3 PM
- Professor Michael Cesarano indicated that there would be a PSC-CUNY Chapter meeting on Wednesday, April 13, 2011 at 2 PM.

The meeting was adjourned at 4 PM

Respectfully Submitted,

Barbara Blake-Campbell, RN, PhD.(Secretary)
Steering Committee of the Academic Senate.