

Queensborough Community College  
The City University of New York

**MINUTES**  
**of the December 13, 2016**  
**Academic Senate**

President Diane Call called the third regularly scheduled meeting of the Academic Senate to order at 3:20 PM

**I. Attendance:**

59 votes were recorded at the time attendance was taken; 64 members of the Academic Senate were present during the meeting.

Absentees: Isabella Lizzul, Reuvain Zahavy, Maan Lin, Cheryl Spencer, Mangala Tawde, Alexandra Tarasko, Jannette Urciuoli, Richard Yuster, Patrick Wallach, Pedro Irigoyen, Richard Tayson, Administrative VP, SG VP Programming, President Pro Tempore.

**II. Consideration of minutes of the November 8, 2016 meeting of the Academic Senate:**

A motion was made, seconded, and adopted 59-0-0 to approve the October 18, 2016 minutes as presented (see Attachment A of the December 13, 2016 Agenda). Did not vote: Sandra Palmer, Georgina Colalillo, Wilma Fletcher-Anthony, Anthony Kolios, SG President, and SG VP Evening Students.

**III. Communications from:**

**1. President Call**

President Call referred to her written report (*Attachment B of the December 13, 2016 Agenda.*) For the full report, visit: [http://www.qcc.cuny.edu/governance/academicSenate/docs/ay2016-17/December\\_2016/Attachment-B-Presidents-Report-December-2016.pdf](http://www.qcc.cuny.edu/governance/academicSenate/docs/ay2016-17/December_2016/Attachment-B-Presidents-Report-December-2016.pdf)

Dr. Stark, in a question to President Call referencing prior work on a college-wide committee relating to Middle States review, raised a concern about changes to the college email communications structure.

President Call indicated that “we will continue to work to improve the system.”

Dr. Clingan asked for clarification on comments made previously regarding procedures for updating departmental email lists.

Vice President Newcomb responded that the Administration allows individual departments to manage their own intra-department lists.

There was further discussion regarding the email issue, with Dr. Tai and Dr. Pecorino each making comments and/or querying President Call about the situation.

**2. Senate Steering Committee Report**

Chair Dr. Peter Bales referred to the written report (*Attachment C of the December 13, 2016 Agenda.*) For the full report, visit: [http://www.qcc.cuny.edu/governance/academicSenate/docs/ay2016-17/December\\_2016/Attachment-C-SteeringCommittee-Report-December-2016.pdf](http://www.qcc.cuny.edu/governance/academicSenate/docs/ay2016-17/December_2016/Attachment-C-SteeringCommittee-Report-December-2016.pdf)

**IV. Monthly Reports of the Committees of the Academic Senate**

57 1. **Committee on Committees:** The Academic Senate received the Monthly Report for December  
58 2016 (*Attachment E of the December 13, 2016 Agenda*).

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60 2. **Committee on Curriculum:** The Academic Senate received the Monthly Report for November  
61 2016 (*Attachment G of the December 13, 2016 Agenda*) and acted on the following items:  
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63 **1. Course Revisions**

64 **DEPARTMENT of ENGINEERING TECHNOLOGY**

65 ET-710 Web Technology I: Building and Maintaining Web Sites  
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67 A **motion** was **made, seconded**, and **adopted 58-0-2** to **approve** changes to ET-710 in the  
68 Department of Engineering Technology (*See Attachment G of the December 13, 2016 Agenda*).  
69 Abstentions: SG President and SG VP Evening Students. Did not vote: Sandra Palmer, Peter  
70 Bales, Anthony Kolios, and Peter Irigoyen.  
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72 **DEPARTMENT of FOREIGN LANGUAGES & LITERATURES**

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74 LC-311 Readings in Contemporary Chinese Literature I

75 LC-312 Readings in Contemporary Chinese Literature II  
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77 A **motion** was **made, seconded**, and **adopted 58-1-2** to **approve** changes to LC-311 and LC-  
78 312 in the Department of Foreign Languages & Literatures (*See Attachment G of the December*  
79 *13, 2016 Agenda*). No votes: Anthony Kolios. Abstentions: SG Executive VP and SG VP Evening  
80 Students. Did not vote: Sandra Palmer, Kip Montgomery and Peter Irigoyen.  
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82 **DEPARTMENT of HEALTH, PHYSICAL EDUCATION & DANCE**

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84 HE-104 Addiction and Dependencies

85 HE-105 Human Sexuality

86 HE-107 Mental Health: Understanding Your Behavior

87 HE-108 Health and Physical Fitness

88 HE-111 Stress Management

89 HE-114 Foundations of Health Promotion and Disease Prevention  
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91 A **motion** was **made, seconded**, and **adopted 58-0-2** to **approve** changes to HE-104, HE-107,  
92 HE-108, HE-111 and HE-114 in the Department of Health, Physical Education and Dance (*See*  
93 *Attachment G of the December 13, 2016 Agenda*). Abstentions: SG President and SG VP  
94 Evening Students. Did not vote: Diane Call, Sandra Palmer, Peter Bales and Peter Irigoyen.  
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96 **DEPARTMENT of MATHEMATICS & COMPUTER SCIENCE**

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98 CS-203 ALGORITHMIC PROBLEM SOLVING II  
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100 A **motion** was **made, seconded**, and **adopted 60-0-2** to **approve** changes to CS-203 in the  
101 Department of Math and Computer Science (*See Attachment G of the December 13, 2016*  
102 *Agenda*). Abstentions: Anthony Kolios and SG President. Did not vote: Sandra Palmer and Peter  
103 Irigoyen.  
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105 **DEPARTMENT of MUSIC**

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107 It was moved that the Senate would vote to approve changes to courses, new courses and changes to  
108 the AS degree in Music (*See Attachment G of the December 13, 2016 Agenda*).  
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110 A **motion** was **made, seconded**, and **adopted 60-0-1** to **approve** changes to courses, the AS  
111 degree in Music and to **approve** new courses in the Department of Music (*See Attachment G of*  
112 *the December 13, 2016 Agenda*). Abstentions: SG President. Did not vote: Sandra Palmer,  
113 Anthony Kolios and Peter Irigoyen.

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115 **2. New Courses**

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117 **DEPARTMENT of MATHEMATICS & COMPUTER SCIENCE**

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119 CS-204 ALGORITHMIC PROBLEM SOLVING II in Java

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121 A **motion** was **made, seconded**, and **adopted 59-0-3** to **approve** CS-204 as a new course in  
122 the Department of Math and Computer Science (*See Attachment G of the December 13, 2016*  
123 *Agenda*). Abstentions: Anthony Kolios, SG President and SG VP Evening Students. Did not vote:  
124 Sandra Palmer and Peter Irigoyen.

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126 **3. Program Revisions**

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128 **DEPARTMENT of ENGINEERING TECHNOLOGY**

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130 Changes to the Information and Internet Technology Program due to ET-710 credit reduction (*See*  
131 *Attachment G of the December 13, 2016 Agenda*).

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133 A **motion** was **made, seconded**, and **adopted 58-0-4** to **approve** changes to the IIT Program in  
134 the Department of Engineering Technology (*See Attachment G of the December 13, 2016*  
135 *Agenda*). Abstentions: Anthony Kolios, SG President, SG VP Evening Students, and SG VP Part  
136 Time Students. Did not vote: Sandra Palmer and Peter Irigoyen.

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138 Changes to New Media Certificate Program due to ET-710 credit reduction and for use with Mineola HS  
139 program (*See Attachment G of the December 13, 2016 Agenda*).

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141 A **motion** was **made, seconded**, and **adopted 59-0-3** to **approve** changes to the New Media  
142 Certificate Program in the Department of Engineering Technology (*See Attachment G of the*  
143 *December 13, 2016 Agenda*). Abstentions: Anthony Kolios, SG President, and SG VP Evening  
144 Students. Did not vote: Sandra Palmer and Peter Irigoyen.

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146 **DEPARTMENT of SOCIAL SCIENCES**

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148 Changes to the QCC/Queens College Dual/Joint Degree Program: A.A. in Liberal Arts and Sciences  
149 Leading to the B.A. Childhood Education (*See Attachment G of the December 13, 2016 Agenda*).

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151 A **motion** was **made, seconded**, and **adopted 59-0-2** to **approve** changes to the QCC/Queens  
152 College Dual/Joint Degree Program in Childhood Education (*See Attachment G of the December*  
153 *13, 2016 Agenda*). Abstentions: SG President and SG VP Evening Students. Did not vote:  
154 Sandra Palmer, Gilmar Visoni, and Peter Irigoyen.

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156 **4. General Education Assessment Task Force Findings and Recommendations**

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158 (*See Attachment H of the December 13, 2016 Agenda*.)

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160 Chair Bales instructed the Senate that the vote to take place is on the revised General Education  
161 Outcomes, not on the assessment process or program review.

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163 Dr. Pecorino made a friendly amendment that the new outcomes would be effective at the  
164 commencement of the Fall 2017 semester. There was no objection.  
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166 Dr. Clingan made a **motion** to postpone the vote, which was **seconded**, but **failed 12-40-8**.  
167 No votes: Sandra Palmer, Sherri Newcomb, Karen Steele, Denise Ward, Rosemary Zins, Stuart  
168 Asser, Nidhi Gadura, Kathleen Villani, Jeanne Galvin, Michel Hodge, Joseph Bertorelli, Kip  
169 Montgomery, Anne Marie Menendez, David Lieberman, Joseph Culkun, Georgia McGill, Shannon  
170 Kincaid, Peter Bales, Andrea Salis, Belle Birchfield, Georgina Colalillo, Joel Kuszai, Lorena Ellis,  
171 Amy Traver, Urszula Golebiewska, Shele Bannon, Joan Dupre, Jeffrey Schwartz, Barbara Blake-  
172 Campbell, Kelly Ford, Julia Carroll, Mi Seon Kim, Eileen White, Craig Weber, SG President, SG  
173 Treasurer, SG VP Evening Students, SG VP Part Time Students and Emil Parrinello.  
174 Abstentions: David Humphries, Young Kim, John Talbird, Franca Ferrari, Anthony Kolios, Philip  
175 Pecorino, Edward Volchok and Ann Tullio. Did not vote: Bob Rogers, Wilma Fletcher-Anthony,  
176 Peter Irigoyen and George Muchita.

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178 A **motion** was **made, seconded**, and **adopted 48-2-2** to **approve** the new General Education  
179 Outcomes (*See Part 4 of Attachment G of the December 13, 2016 Agenda*). No votes: Gilmar  
180 Visoni and Edmund Clingan. Abstentions: John Talbird and Anthony Kolios. Did not vote: Denise  
181 Ward, Bob Rogers, Michel Hodge, David Lieberman, Michael Cesarano, Wilma Fletcher-Anthony,  
182 Edward Volchok, Simran Kaur, Julian Stark, Craig Weber, Peter Irigoyen and George Muchita.

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184 **V. Old Business**

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186 None.

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188 **VI. New Business**

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190 Dr. Humphries presented a CUNY Reading Discipline Council position paper on issues of  
191 placement, testing and remediation (*See Attachment I from the December 13, 2016 Agenda*) and  
192 a response from Vice Chancellor Vita Rabinowitz. Dr. Rochford, Dr. Bertorelli, Dr. Carroll and Dr.  
193 Warsi presented testimony.

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195 Chair Bales presented a resolution on making QCC a “sanctuary campus” (*See Attachment J*  
196 *from the December 13, 2016 Agenda*).

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198 A **motion** was **made, seconded**, and **adopted 55-0-0** to **approve** making QCC a “Sanctuary  
199 Campus” resolution General Education Outcomes (*See Attachment J of the December 13, 2016*  
200 *Agenda*). Did not vote: Sasan Karimi, Gilmar Visoni, Georgina Colalillo, Wilma Fletcher-Anthony,  
201 Barbara Blake-Campbell, Edmund Clingan, Craig Weber, Peter Irigoyen and George Muchita.

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203 Vice Chair Tai presented the monthly report of the Committee on Food Insecurity and thanked  
204 those who have volunteered with their time, resources and financial support. She suggested that  
205 there was great interest in making the committee a permanent standing committee of the  
206 Academic Senate and that efforts were underway with that end in mind.

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208 The meeting was adjourned at 4:52 PM

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210 Respectfully Submitted,  
211 Joel Kuszai  
212 Secretary, Steering Committee of the Academic Senate