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**Queensborough Community College  
The City University of New York**

**MINUTES  
of the February 14, 2017  
Academic Senate**

President Diane Call called the fifth regularly scheduled meeting of the Academic Senate to order at 3:15 PM

**I. Attendance:**

65 votes were recorded at the time attendance was taken; 69 members of the Academic Senate were present during the meeting.

Absentees: David Lieberman, Franca Ferrari, Urszula Golebiewska, Mangala Tawde, Peter Irigoyen, SG Executive VP, SG Administrative VP, SG President Pro Tempore, SG VP for Part-time Students.

**II. Consideration of minutes of the December 13, 2016 meeting of the Academic Senate:**

A motion was made, seconded, and adopted 64-0-2 to approve the December 13, 2016 minutes as presented (see *Attachment A of the February 14, 2016 Agenda*). Abstentions: SG Programming VP and SG VP Evening Students. Did not vote: Mi Seon Kim, Jannette Urciuoli and Pedro Irigoyen.

**III. Communications from:**

**1. President Call**

President Call referred to her written report (*Attachment B of the February 14, 2017 Agenda*.) For the full report, visit: [http://www.qcc.cuny.edu/governance/academicSenate/docs/ay2016-17/February\\_2017/Attachment-B-Presidents-Report-February-2017.pdf](http://www.qcc.cuny.edu/governance/academicSenate/docs/ay2016-17/February_2017/Attachment-B-Presidents-Report-February-2017.pdf)

**2. Senate Steering Committee Report**

Chair Dr. Peter Bales referred to the written report (*Attachment C of the February 14, 2017 Agenda*). For the full report, visit: [http://www.qcc.cuny.edu/governance/academicSenate/docs/ay2016-17/February\\_2017/Attachment-C-SteeringCommittee-Report-February-2017.pdf](http://www.qcc.cuny.edu/governance/academicSenate/docs/ay2016-17/February_2017/Attachment-C-SteeringCommittee-Report-February-2017.pdf)

Senator Clingan asked for an update about the communication sent to the CUNY central office regarding the lack of a CUNY bullying policy and whether there had been a reply. Upon learning there had not been, Clingan then suggested that the Steering Committee provide regular updates and make periodic follow-ups until there is a reply. Chair Bales agreed to that request.

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

**1. Committee on Committees:** The Academic Senate received the Monthly Report for January 2017 (*Attachment D of the February 14, 2017 Agenda*).

**2. Committee on Curriculum:** The Academic Senate received the Monthly Report for February 2017 (*Attachment E of the February 14, 2017 Agenda*) and acted on the following items:

**1. Course Revisions**

**DEPARTMENT of ART AND DESIGN**

56 ARTS-130 Art for Teachers of Children  
57 ARTS-131 Art for Teachers of Children II  
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59 ARTS-130 Art Methods for K-8 Curriculum  
60 ARTS-131 Art Methods for K-8 Curriculum II

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62 A **motion** was **made, seconded**, and **adopted 67-0-0** to **approve** changes to ARTS-130 and  
63 ARTS-131 in the Department of Art and Design (*See Attachment E of the February 14, 2017*  
64 *Agenda*). Did not vote: Joseph Culkin and Anthony Kolios.

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66 **2. Program Revisions**

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68 **DEPARTMENT of ART AND DESIGN**

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70 Program revision Digital Art and Design (*See Attachment E of the February 14, 2017 Agenda*).

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72 A **motion** was **made, seconded**, and **adopted 68-0-0** to **approve** changes to the Digital Art and  
73 Design program in the Department of Art and Design (*See Attachment E of the February 14,*  
74 *2017 Agenda*). Did not vote: Anthony Kolios.

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76 **V. Old Business**

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78 None.

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80 **VI. New Business**

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82 Resolution to modify the QCC Mission Statement (adding “critical thinking”) (*See Attachment F of the*  
83 *February 14, 2017 Agenda*).

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85 A **motion** was **made, seconded**, and **adopted 69-0-0** to **approve** adding “critical thinking” to the  
86 QCC Mission Statement (*See Attachment E of the February 14, 2017 Agenda*).

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88 The “further resolved” of the Mission Statement resolution (Attachment E) also included a list of goals to  
89 support the Mission Statement. The goals were taken separately in a second vote.

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91 A **motion** was **made, seconded**, and **adopted 66-0-1** to **approve** adding goals to support the  
92 QCC Mission Statement (*See Attachment E of the February 14, 2017 Agenda*). Abstention:  
93 Anthony Kolios. Did not vote: Gilmar Visoni and George Muchita.

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95 Dr. Karen Steele updated the Senate of the the work of the General Education Assessment Task Force,  
96 referring the Senate to a section relating to the task force in the President’s Report (Attachment B).

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98 Vice Chair Tai presented the monthly report of the Committee on Food Insecurity (Attachment G),  
99 mentioning that the Bylaws Committee was to take up the issue of making the Committee on Food  
100 Insecurity a permanent standing committee of the Academic Senate.

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102 The meeting was adjourned at 3:50 PM

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104 Respectfully Submitted,

105 Joel Kuszai

106 Secretary, Steering Committee of the Academic Senate