

QUEENSBOROUGH COMMUNITY COLLEGE

FACULTY EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

FALL 2017

FEC Report to Faculty on Fall 2017 Semester

- FEC opens all its meetings to all faculty
- Created the Position of FEC Associate for tenured faculty to prepare to serve as faculty governance leader
- Requested that the President create a faculty dialogue list with all faculty on it and allowing an opt out in order to discuss the possible change. This has been denied and no further discussions have ensued.
- On email system
 - Repeated requests to restore access to the Academic Department email distribution lists
 - Repeated requests and inquiries about the accuracy of the Academic Department email distribution lists
 - Developed and distributed what are believed to be accurate Academic Department email distribution lists
- Conducted an informal survey of the faculty-FEC acted upon the results
- Sent some of the Faculty Survey results to Academic Senate Committee on Environment
- COACHE results-requested the views of the Provost and Dean of Faculty: RESULT: no communications received on this
- Presidential Fellowships: requested an expansion of eligibility to all Associate Professors who do not have any reassigned time in the coming year RESULT: undetermined
- Fellowship Leaves: as a result of FEC requests the Department Chairpersons developed and disseminated criteria for the awarding of Fellowship Leaves at 80% for full year or 100% for half year: RESULT: There is now a document with the criteria that will be circulated to all faculty.
- Support for Faculty: Requested a clear resolution from the Committee of Department Chairpersons of the question of the “Five Year Rule” that has existed at QCC for many decades that denies promotions to those with less than five years in rank: RESULT:: cases will be decided individually by most chairpersons
- Grant Review/Approval Process at QCC and possible discouragement or hindrance to faculty-some revisions were made RESULT: a new protocol was developed by the VP of Academic Affairs which resolved concerns
- Requested data on HIP regarding retention and GPA from the Provost –RESULT: the QCC Office of Academic Affairs is working on assessment of HIPS
- General Faculty meeting: Held in Fall 2017 featuring panel on use of Predatory Conferences and Journals

- FEC monthly meetings: held 4 in Fall 2017, one with President Diane Bova Call: see minutes online.
- Contributed to Strategic Plan at the College Advisory Planning Committee (CAPC)
- At QCC CLT's are members of the faculty. Governance Plan Article II. A. approved by CUNY BOT and at this time there are six fulltime CLTs and about ten adjunct CLTs here in the ACC the only area that does not have a departmental P&B. This was again brought to the attention of President Diane Bova Call with the request that the situation be resolved in some manner. RESULT: No action as yet

Participated in discussions related to :

- Proposals to alter access to the All Faculty email distribution List and Creation of a Faculty Dialogue List
- Faculty use of non-refereed conference and journals and adverse impact on reputations and image of the Faculty and the College
- QCC Food Pantry and FEC support for the efforts of Faculty

In progress:

- Review of the College Budget- all parts and sources
- Review of the Student Technology Fee Budgets for last three years
- Review of faculty associated with Pre-College, Continuing Education and Workforce Development
- Discussions on of Freedom of Speech at our College
- Planning for Spring 2018 Faculty Meeting
- Elections to be conducted in Spring 2018 semester for Committees and UFS representatives
- Efforts to bring a restoration of academic department email distribution lists access and opt out dialogue lists for Faculty and Community

Committee on Academic Freedom

Several issues/cases were heard and reports are forthcoming from the Committee Chairperson , Julian Stark, who will place them on to the [website](http://www.qcc.cuny.edu/governance/faculty/afcdocs.html):
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Academic Review Committee

Committee met several times to handle several requests for review from Fall 2017 and sent recommendations to the President. Two Faculty will be elected in Spring 2018 to serve from Fall 2018-Spring 2021

As is our custom we shall present these summary reports to you all each semester.