

QUEENSBOROUGH COMMUNITY COLLEGE

FACULTY EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

Fall 2018

FEC Report to Faculty on Spring 2018 Semester

- FEC opened all its meetings to all faculty
- Requested that the President create a protocol to permit faculty to remain after 11pm to work in their offices and laboratories. This was granted.
- 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
- Requested data on HIP regarding retention and GPA from the Provost –RESULT: the QCC Office of Academic Affairs has supplied some information and indicated that it is working on assessment of HIPS.
- Requested a revision to the QCC Guidelines on Flyers, posters and handouts so that the guidelines do not apply to faculty materials distributed to students or posted in their offices and classrooms. RESULT: A revision has been drafted and has been placed onto the website and that has such exemption for faculty materials.
- General Faculty Meeting: Held in Fall 2018 featuring panel on College Assistance for Faculty obtaining Grants and support for Travel
- Ended FEC serving as conduit for donations to the QCC Food Pantry
- FEC monthly meetings: held 4 in Fall 2018 , one with Interim President Timothy Lynch: see minutes online.
- Attempted to create a position of FEC Associate to prepare colleagues for participation in governance. There were no volunteers. Attempt has ended
- Bomb Threat and CUNY Alert vs. QCC Alert - There was discussion of the recent bomb threat at QCC and the warning that was sent out to the campus community in regard to such bomb threat and whether or not timely warning was provided to members of the campus community and whether the warning that was provided complied with the Cleary Act requirements. It was suggested that the QCC Director of Security, John Triolo, be invited to attend a future Committee meeting. The Committee received a response form VP Sherri Newcomb. The matter was further pursued in Fall of 2018 as it has been raised at the CUNY level.

- At QCC all 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
- Elections were conducted in Fall 2018 semester for faculty representatives on the Presidential Search Committee
- QCC administration now makes available to the FEC a list of all eligible to vote and to serve so that the FEC can conduct voting in accord with the bylaws.
- The FEC made efforts to support the diversity of faculty. It requested that the Interim President inquire as to the full range of supports and programs offered by the University o the Colleges. We await the result. CUNY funding request now at \$12.4 million per year for all CUNY.
- CUNY Faculty Affairs Advisory Committee, Margot Edlin added as QCC Faculty Representative
- College P&B Compliance with BOT Policy with recording the numerical results of votes on promotions in the minutes of the meeting
- Requested information on all sources of support available for adjuncts—Dean David Humphries has put it together and FEC sent it out to all adjuncts
- Discussions with the new QCC SGA President, Ronald Chan, on these matters:
 - NEW QCC Building
 - Food Service- contracting with more than one service-expanding food prep area
 - Parking and possibility of multi-level garage
 - QCC guidelines for the posting of print materials on campus
 - Informing Students of their rights for religious observances
 - Support for Proposal for a QCC College Policy regarding email
 - Amendments to the QCC Governance Plan

Participated in discussions related to :

- Proposals to alter access to the All Faculty email distribution List and Creation of a Faculty Dialogue List
- College Budget
- Efforts to insure that the WI Criteria set by the Academic Senate are being met in WI classes

In progress:

- Faculty Leadership Development Program Proposal
- QCC Assessment of Governance
- COACHE Survey effort to secure faculty participation
- 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 Freedom of Speech at our College
- Planning for Spring 2019 Faculty Meeting
- Efforts to bring a restoration of academic department email distribution lists access and opt out dialogue lists for Faculty and Community
- Review of the Governance Documents for Amendments: Governance Plan, QCC Faculty Bylaws, Academic Senate Bylaws

Finances

There is ample balance in the accounts, reported to faculty at each Faculty Meeting, to operate as has been the case over the last years. The checking account is used to quickly reimburse faculty for purchasing food for faculty meetings, polling and survey monkey licenses, and flowers and an ad in QCC Partners for Progress Book..

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:

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Academic Review Committee

Committee met several times to handle several requests for review from Fall 2017 and Spring 2018 and sent recommendations to the President. 2 Faculty were elected in Spring 2018 to serve on the committee and 2 more will be elected in Spring 2019 to serve from Fall 2019- Spring 2022

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