

52 **Minutes**
 53 **Meeting of the Hunter College Senate**
 54 **19 September 2012**
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56 Some of our scientists may be moving to the floor that we have purchased in the new Weil
 57 Cornell science building. The third floor renovation is well under way. I apologize on
 58 focusing so much on physical events but they are all very exciting and I wanted to share
 59 them with you. This will be obviously an ongoing conversation as we have more
 60 information.”

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 63 **Report by**
 64 **the Provost**
 65 **and Vice**
 66 **President**
 67 **for Student**
 68 **Affairs:**

63 Vice President, Eija Ayravainen, presented her report. The following is a summary
 64 statement.

66 “Thank you professor Acampora for inviting me to speak about our wonderful new class of
 67 students. Joan Lambe has very graciously given us these numbers. This fall we brought in
 68 1,895 new regularly admitted freshman. In addition to that, we brought in a 122 Macaulay
 69 Honors College students and 78 seek students. We brought in 1,906 transfer students and
 70 1,608 graduate students from various programs. The mean SAT of freshmen was 1,172, 24
 71 points higher than it was in fall of 2011. The national average is 1011. The mean college
 72 admission average is 87.3, up from last year as well. We discovered that 69% of our new
 73 freshmen come from NYC public schools and a little over 13 percent come from New York
 74 State schools. About 11% come from private and parochial schools. We get about 5%
 75 from out of state students. Our new students come from 62 countries and speak 52
 76 languages. The 122 Macaulay Honors College students have a mean SAT if 1405 and
 77 college admission verge of 93.6. This is really an interesting group of students that you now
 78 have in your classes. 66% of the new transfer students with 14 credits or more have a 3.0
 79 GPA when they enter Hunter. 68% of them are female and the rest are male. 35%
 80 transferred from CUNY community colleges and over 16 % of them transferred from
 81 CUNY senior colleges to Hunter College. 73% are full time and 27% are part time. Most
 82 of our freshmen and transfers live in Queens and Brooklyn. We are working very hard with
 83 the academic side of the college to make sure that we give all the students the proper respect
 84 and information that they need to be successful students here and graduate timely.”

86 Provost Vita Rabinowitz called on the Dean of Arts & Sciences, Erec Koch. Please see
 87 Appendix II for his statement.

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 89 The Provost called on the Dean of the School of Education, David Steiner. He said:

91 “I would like to introduce Dr. Elissa Brown. Dr. Brown joins the special Ed Department as
 92 a distinguished lecturer. In addition to her research in the field of gifted education, Dr.
 93 Brown has served as a state consultant for gifted education with the North Carolina
 94 Department of Public Instruction and Director of the Center of Gifted Education at the very
 95 distinguished program at William and Mary. She received her Doctorate of Education
 96 Policy Planning and Leadership from William and Mary.

98 Dr. Lacey Peters earned her Doctorate in Early Childhood and her dissertation is titled
 99 Children’s Interpretation on Kindergarten: Understanding How Children Think and Talk
 100 about Going to School.

102 Dr. Carmen Brown comes to Hunter’s program with over 20 years of teaching and
 103 mentoring experience. She earned her doctorate in Elementary Education at SUNY at
 104 Buffalo.

106 Daniel Reid joins us having his undergraduate degree from University of Virginia and a law
 107 degree from Yale University. All of these new colleagues are most welcome.”

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119 The Provost called on the Interim Dean of the School of Public Health, Dr. Neal Cohen. He
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122 “Dr. Grace Sembajwe. Grace came to us last semester as an Associate Professor in the
123 Environmental and Occupational Health Sciences Track School of Public Health. Grace
124 completed her doctorate in Epidemiology in Health Science at UMASS and for the last three
125 years she has been a Post Doc at the Harvard School of Public Health. Grace is going to be
126 teaching physical hazards with a particular focus on noise, radiation and thermal stress, as
127 well as occupational safety and health.
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129 Dr. Xiaowei Yang is just joining us this semester is. He is joining us as an Associate
130 Professor in Bio Statistics in Epidemiology. He comes to us from UC Davis.”
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132 The Provost called on the Dean of the School of Nursing, Dean Gail McCain. She said the
133 following:

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135 “I have two wonderful new faulty members. The first is Dr. Christine M. Ganzer. Her
136 undergraduate degree in Nursing is from Syracuse University, her masters of Science and
137 Nursing is from stony brook and her PhD in nursing is from the University of Arizona. She
138 is a certified Family and Mental Health nurse practitioner with a private practice. Her
139 research practice is in health literacy in older adults, specifically veterans. She will
140 contribute to teaching our nurse practitioner students in our master’s program.
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142 Our second new faculty member is Dr. Laurie Goshin. Her undergraduate and master’s
143 degree are in Child Health Nursing from U Texas at Austin. Her PhD in Nursing is from
144 Columbia University. She has experience as a staff nurse, research coordinator and most
145 recently and associate research scientist at Columbia. Her research is focused on the
146 outcomes of infants who are born to incarcerated woman and remain imprisoned with their
147 mothers for their first year of life.”
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149 Finally, the Provost called on the Dean of the Silverman School of Social Work. Dean
150 Jacqueline Mondros said:
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152 “I feel like we won the lottery this year. I have three of the most exiting faculty members
153 who joined us. I will start with Dan Gartner. Dr. Dan Gartner has his undergraduate degree
154 from Cornell, his MSW from the University of Pennsylvania and his doctoral degree from
155 Columbia. He joins us an associate professor with over 25 years of clinical administrative
156 and research experience in health and mental health. He specialized in clinical practices
157 with individual families and groups. He specializes in people who are living with chronic
158 and advanced illness.
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160 Dr. Juan Pena attended Cornell for his bachelor degree, NYU for his master’s degree in
161 Social Work, and Columbia for his PhD. His clinical experience includes serving families
162 and children in various settings such as prevention programs, substance abuse clinics,
163 schools and mental health clinical. He also did a postdoctoral fellowship at the University of
164 Rochester where he studied Public Health approaches to suicide prevention.
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166 Dan Herman joined us in January as our new Associate Dean for Scholarship and Research.
167 He has been trained in Social Work and has a degree in Public Health. His area is chronic
168 mental illness and homelessness. He has been the major researcher in the area in the
169 delimitation of the critical time intervention.”
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182 Report by the The Chair, Professor Christa Davis Acampora, presented the report as follows:

183 Administrative
184 Committee:

Approved Curriculum Changes

The following curriculum changes as listed in the Report dated 19 September 2012 have been approved as per Senate resolution and is submitted for the Senate’s information: Item GR-907 (School of Social Work).

a) Election of Committee Chairs

The floor was open for nominations for Chair of the Budget Committee.

Professor Randall Filer (Economics) was nominated.

It was moved that the Secretary be instructed to cast a single ballot in favor of the candidate. The motion carried by voice vote without dissent and Professor Filer was re-elected.

The floor was open for nominations for Chair of the Master Plan Committee.

Professor Barbara Sproul (Religion) was nominated.

It was moved that the Secretary be instructed to cast a single ballot in favor of the candidate. The motion carried by voice vote without dissent and Professor Sproul was re-elected.

The floor was open for nominations for Chair of the Nominating Committee.

Prof. Marilyn Rothschild (Physics & Astronomy) was nominated.

It was moved that the Secretary be instructed to cast a single ballot in favor of the candidate. The motion carried by voice vote without dissent and Prof. Rothschild was re-elected.

The election for the Chair of the Charter Review Committee was postponed until the following meeting.

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214 Committee
215 Report:

Report by the Undergraduate Course of Study Committee

Prof. Eckhard Kuhn-Osius, Chair of the Undergraduate Course of Study Committee, presented an updated report on CUNY’s “Pathways”. He said:

“The Undergraduate Course of Study has submitted 112 courses for review for the new Common Core, of which we have received 5 approvals. The committee will be contacting departments that need further help. We have heard of governance issues at other CUNY colleges. We have been committed to following our own governance procedures. In regard to the courses submitted for approval, we are really just vetting them because we have already approved them for our current GER. We will continue to provide updates to the body as the review process progresses.”

It was moved that the meeting be adjourned. The motion carried and the meeting adjourned at 5:20 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Lisa Marie Anderson
Secretary

APPENDIX I

The following attendance was noted from the meeting

(A)=Alternate, A=Attended, X=Absent, E=Excused

Faculty						
AFPRL	Anthony Browne	A	History	Benjamin Hett	A	
		(A)		Richard Belsky	(A)	X
	Edgardo Melendez	(A)	X	Thomas Head	(A)	X
Anthropology	Ida Susser	A	Library	Hal Grossman		X
	Ignasi Clemente	(A)	A	Mee'Len Hom		A
	Jessica Rothman	(A)	X	Danise Hoover	(A)	X
Art	Malik Gaines	A		Jonathan Cain	(A)	A
			Mathematics & Statistics	Sandra Clarkson		A
		(A)		Robert Thompson		A
		(A)		Verna Segarra	(A)	X
Biological Sciences	Shirley Raps	A		Patrick Burke	(A)	A
	Paul Feinstein	A	Music	Jewell Thompson		X
		(A)		Michele Cabrini	(A)	A
		(A)		Jana Freiman	(A)	X
Chemistry	Akira Kawamura	A	School of Nursing	Anita Nirenberg		A
				David Keepnews		A
	Pamela Mills	(A)	X	Joan Arnold	(A)	X
	Gary Quigley	(A)	X	Theresa Yannaco	(A)	X
Classical & Oriental Studies			Philosophy	Frank Kirkland		A
	Lawrence Kowerski	(A)	A	Omar Dahbour	(A)	X
		(A)		Laura Keating	(A)	A
Computer Science	Feliza Vasquez-Abad	A	Physics & Astronomy	Marilyn Rothschild		A
	Saad Mneimneh	(A)	X	Noel Goddard	(A)	X
	Virginia Teller	(A)	X		(A)	
Curriculum & Teaching	Debbie Sonu	A	Political Science	Robyn Marasco		A
	Jason Wirtz	A		Zachary Shirkey	(A)	A
	Melissa Schieble	(A)	X	Charles Tien	(A)	X
	Jody Polleck	(A)	X	Joseph Lao		A
Economics	Howard Chernick	X	Psychology	Jason Young		A
	Avi Liveson	X			(A)	
	Timothy Goodspeed	(A)	X	Peter Moller	(A)	A
		(A)		Romance Languages		A
Educational Foundations	Cynthia Walley	A		Michael Perna		A
	John Keegan	(A)	A	Rolando Perez		X
	Arnold Wolf	(A)	X	Paolo Fasoli	(A)	X
English	Chong Chon-Smith	X	School of Social Work	Monica Calabrito	(A)	X
	Michael Thomas	A		Caroline Gelman		X
	Cristina Alfar	(A)	A	Nancy Giunta		A
	Barbara Webb	(A)	A	Mimi Abramovitz	(A)	X
Film & Media Studies	Larry Shore	A	Sociology		(A)	
	Tami Gold	A		Mark Halling		A
		(A)		Joong-Hwan Oh	(A)	X
		(A)		Thomas Degloma	(A)	A
Geography	Haydee Salmun	A	Special Education	David Connor		A
	Jochen Albrecht	(A)	X	Angela Mouzakitidis	(A)	A
		(A)		Elissa Brown	(A)	A
		(A)		Theatre		A
German	Lisa Marie Anderson	A		Dong Shin Chang		A
	Eckhard Kuhn-Osius	(A)	A	Mia Rovegno	(A)	A
	Elke Nicolai	(A)	A		(A)	
School of Health Sciences	Shahana Mahajan	A	Urban Affairs	Jill Gross		X
		(A)		Stanley Moses	(A)	A
					(A)	
			School of Urban Public Health	Lydia Isaac		A
					(A)	

Lecturers and Part-Time Faculty

Madlyn Stokely	Student Services	X
Taahira Maynard	Student Services	(A) A
Barbara Barone	Mathematics & Statistics	A
Brian Buckwald	Student Services	A
Jocelyn Berger-Barrera	Library	A
Sarah Chinn	English	X
Elizabeth Beaujour	Classics	A
Claus Mueller	Sociology	X
Bill Williams	Mathematics & Statistics	A
Gabriela Smeureanu	Chemistry	X
Laxmi Ramasubramanian	Urban Affairs	E
Christa D. Acampora	Philosophy	A
Barbara Sproul	Religion	A

Students

Matthew Evanusa	E
Matthew Ramos	X
Andy Lall	A
Ariela Hazan	A
Eamon Pickard	A
Shawn Rafeeq	A
Eileen Chen	X
Jimmy Qiu	A
Madiha Wasti	A
Ibrahim Alsaygh	A
Julia Camila Jones	E
Alexander Lemell	X
Jarret Freeman	X
Patricia Colon	X
Candace Lawrence	X
Sandrea Sicangco	A
Dennis Luo	X

Administration:

HEO/CLT Representative	Bill Zlata	A
Vice President for Student Affairs	Eija Ayravainen	A
Chief Operating Officer	Len Zinnanti	A
Provost	Vita Rabinowitz	A
Dean, School of Arts & Sciences	Erec Koch	A
School of Education	Dean David Steiner	A
School of Social Work	Dean Jacqueline Mondros	X
School of Nursing	Dean Gail McCain	X

Ex-Officio

Benedict Josen	President, USG	A
Luis Gutierrez	Vice President, GSA	X
Anne Seifried	President, Alumni Assoc.	X
Sarah Jeninsky	President, HEO Forum	A
Sonya Acevedo	President, CLT Council	X

APPENDIX I

Dean Erec Koch from the School of Arts & Sciences said:

“I would like start with the office of the dean and introduce two new colleagues. First I would like to introduce Dr. Angela Haddad, who is our new Associate Dean for Academic Programs; she holds a PhD in Sociology from the University of Michigan. She comes to us from Barnard College where she had served as Associate Provost. I would also like to introduce Assistant Dean for Operations, Maria Anderson. She and her team will address all matters related to facilities, budget and personnel.

I will now introduce some new colleagues on the faculty. I would like to start with Paul McPherron, who earned his PhD in linguistics at the University of California, Davis. He has published numerous articles on applied linguistics. Professor McPherron will join the Department of English as an assistant professor this fall, where he will teach ESL to incoming students in the linguistic and rhetoric concentration of the English major. His administrative duties will include the coordination of the ESL program, including the Summer Advantage program.

The second colleague I would like to introduce is Dr. Iryna Vushko. Dr. Vushko received a BA from Lvov National University in the Ukraine, an MA from the Central European University in Budapest in 2000, and a PhD in History from Yale University. Her research focuses on Hapsburg imperial bureaucracy and absolutism in Eastern Europe during the 18th and 19th centuries. She joins Hunter College this fall as an assistant professor in the Department of History and will be teaching the modern European history survey as well a course on late imperial Russia at the USSR.

Next is Dr. Tatyana Khodorovskiy. Dr. Khodorovskiy earned a BA in Mathematics from New York University and a PhD in the same discipline from Harvard University. She studies geometric topology. She begins this fall as an assistant professor in the Department of Mathematics, where she will teach vector calculus and differential equations.

From the Department of Psychology, Dr. Amber Alliger, who obtained her PhD in Biopsychology and Behavioral Neuroscience from the CUNY Graduate Center. She joins the Department the Psychology as doctoral lecturer in the ABC program this fall.

Dr. Joel Erblich, earned his PhD in Clinical Psychology from the University of Southern California; he completed an internship at UCLA Medical Center, post-doctoral fellowships at Memorial Sloan Kettering Cancer Center and Mount Sinai School of Medicine, and an MPH degree of Biostatistics at Columbia. Dr. Erblich served on the Faculty of Mount Sinai beginning in 1999. Most recently he was a faculty member at CUNY College of Staten Island. Dr. Erblich’s research focuses on the interactions of emotional, cognitive, behavioral and genetic factors in addictive behaviors. Dr. Erblich joins the faculty of the Department of Psychology as an associate professor.

Finally, Dr. Michael Hoyt earned a PhD in clinical psychology at the Arizona State University. He completed his fellowship at UCLA in health psychology and a residency in clinical psychology at the University of Washington. His primary research focuses on bio-behavioral processes related to psychological adjustment in the context of chronic diseases in health related adversity with a particular focus on issues of cancer survivorship. He joined the faculty for the Department of Psychology as an assistant professor in the spring of 2012.”