Minutes of the Meeting of the Executive Committee of the Faculty Delegate Assembly

Wednesday, December 5, 2007
11:30 to 12:30

Present: Profs. David Connor, Tony Doyle, Charles Guzzetta, Abby Sorman, and Jason Young

Prof. Young called the meeting to order at 11:45.

1. Approval of the minutes of November 7, 2007.

The minutes were approved.

2. Information Items.

* Abby Sorman will be leaving Hunter at the end of the semester and thus will be stepping down from the Executive Committee.

* Fran Scheffler will also be leaving Hunter at the end of the semester and will thus also be stepping down from the Executive Committee.

* Michael Fisher introduced himself. He will replace Prof. Sorman as Adjunct Representative.

3. Discussion items

* The FDA is considering sponsoring a forum on the “corporatization” of the academy. The Senate is interested in co-sponsoring. The University Faculty Senate is also a possible sponsor, since the FDA does not have a budget for speakers. Perhaps we could invite the following to speak: Roger Bowen of the AAUP, one or two CUNY trustees, and two people to talk about the implications that corporatization has for academic freedom. Perhaps the forum would be open to all of CUNY. Prospective date: the last Friday in March.

* Agenda for Executive Committee meeting with President Raab, December 6, 2007

  --Communication: the fact that the president’s office does not address issues of concern to the college on Hunter-l.

  --Prof. Guzzetta suggested the topic of working conditions at Hunter.

Respectfully submitted,
Tony Doyle