

Minutes of the Hunter College Faculty Delegate Assembly General Meeting,
September 15, 2010

1) FDA President Tony Doyle called meeting called to to order at 1.20; Minutes of September meeting approved.

2) Report from the Executive Committee (Professors McCauley and Young)

a) Topics/issue for future meetings:

Faculty survey results.

Proposed Higher Education Act (refer to recent *Clarion* article): does anyone want to be involved in leading discussion of this?

Visit from Sandi Cooper, President of University Faculty Senate.

b) Finances are low: please be generous with dues.

c) Announcement of fall social which will be held at Brookdale campus on 10/27.

Apropos of low budget, assurances that neither quantity nor quality of beverages will suffer.

d) Open seats on FDA Executive: any takers?

3) Introductions all around. Nodding and smiling suggests friendly support and recognition of impressive achievements; a noteworthy group.

4) Professor Danise Hoover gave us an informative demonstration of new library databases. Some new ones: Academic OneFile; GreenFile. All EBSCO databases have a new citation feature, which is really nifty.

5) Professors Grey Johnson (former Chair Anthropology), Professor Frank Kirkland (former Chair Philosophy), and Dean Kristine Gebbie (Acting Dean Nursing) joined us for what turned out to be a very lively and informative discussion of the tenure and promotion process. Points they made: the process begins the moment of hire; the Chair is critical and should be listened to; careful preparation of utmost importance with regards to file but also interview. Many, many, many questions and concerns from the group. A serious conversation, which appeared to be much, appreciated. To conclude on a bright note, there were among the group several who, for the most part, had survived the process without visible trauma.

Respectfully submitted,

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