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Serving as officers of The General Faculty and The Faculty Delegate Assembly of Hunter College this year are:

**Tony Doyle** (Library), President (through 2011)  
**Jason Young** (Psychology), Vice President (through 2011)  
**Debbie Sonu** (Curriculum and Teaching), Treasurer (through 2012)  
**Bernadette McCauley** (History), Secretary (through 2011)  
**Steven Baumann** (School of Nursing), Evening Session Representative (through 2011)

Administrative Assistants:  
**James Regan** and **Ilham Kapadia**

The FDA would like to welcome its newest member, Professor Debbie Sonu of Curriculum and Teaching.

*September General Meeting*

Professor Danise Hoover of the library provided a characteristically informative demonstration of some relatively new databases including Academic Onefile and Greenfile.

The meeting also featured a panel on tenure and promotion from Dean Kristine Gebbie (acting, Nursing) and Professors Greg Johnson (former chair, Anthropology) and Frank Kirkland (former chair, Philosophy). Useful advice that the panel offered included the following about tenure and promotion: the process begins as soon as the candidate is hired; the department chair plays a critical role in both tenure and promotion; and the candidate needs to be well prepared at each stage: reappointment, tenure, promotion. All agreed that it was essential that the candidate know the contract well.

*October General Meeting*

Provost Rabinowitz provided an academic update, during which she talked about an initiative from CUNY Central to encourage faculty to teach more hybrid courses. CUNY defines a hybrid course as having between 33% and 67% of its meetings online. The provost mentioned that grant money is now available to the campuses for this initiative.

The second half of the meeting featured a forum on publishing with Professor Terrie Epstein of Curriculum and Teaching and Professor Tricia Striano of Psychology, both widely published. Professor Epstein is the author of *Interpreting National History: Race, Identity, and Pedagogy in Classrooms and Communities* (Routledge, 2008) and is a former member of the editorial advisory board of *Educational Researcher*. She focused on her experience in getting her book published. Professor Striano addressed collaborative publishing and talked about how to bounce back after having a submission rejected.

*November General Meeting*

President Raab attended, speaking about and entertaining questions on the following topics, among others: (1) strategic planning at Hunter, including Roosevelt House, progress in the construction of the Social Work/Public Health building in East Harlem, the new building on East 65<sup>th</sup> Street, and upcoming changes in the library; (2) the University Faculty Senate's

2009 Faculty Experience Survey; (3) Hunter's improved six year graduation rate; (4) balancing teaching with scholarship; (5) the prospect of offering different tuition at different CUNY campuses and for different programs within a campus.

Professors Jason Young (Psychology and FDA Executive Committee) and Tami Gold (Film and Media and Hunter Chapter Chair of PSC-CUNY) spoke about the proposed New York State Public Higher Education Empowerment and Innovation Act (PHEEIA). The legislation would allow CUNY and SUNY trustees to raise tuition annually at their own discretion, within limits, and would permit different tuition at different campuses and for different programs within a campus. Unfortunately, time was brief. This is a topic that the FDA would like to return to in the spring.

*The Hunter College Senate Strategic Plan Committee: Report from the Chair, Professor Richard Stapleford, Art Department*

At this time last year Hunter had received the Middle States Report confirming that our accreditation is secure. We were cited, however, for not having a suitable Strategic Plan to guide our priorities over the next decade. In response the Hunter College Senate established a Strategic Plan Committee composed of members of the faculty, students, administration and staff charged with the responsibility of producing a plan by October 2011. The Committee includes twenty-two representatives from all the divisions of the College, including undergraduate, graduate and professional schools working together. Now, in November 2010, the Committee has met for the last several months, including the summer months, and has held two Open Sessions under the auspices of the Senate for interested faculty to voice their ideas and concerns. Our working method has been to divide the Plan into four major areas of concern and to create a Task Force for each area to focus discussion. This has permitted the participation of a larger segment of the Hunter community. The Task Forces have returned

their findings to the larger committee where the members will deliberate and refine their suggestions. The committee intends to present a rough draft at the December 8 meeting of the Senate. All will be invited. This draft will be the basis of a series of Town Hall style meetings that we hope to hold in the course of next semester. By the end of the semester we will have a solid first draft and, again, we will ask the entire community to weigh in on the document. The final version will be presented on or about October 2011.

The Committee is hard at work and is on track to complete the plan by the October deadline. We are committed to casting the net as wide as possible to include all members of the Hunter community in our deliberations. Our meetings planned for next semester are intended to assure that the final document will have been a product of all of us, and will reflect our hopes and goals for the future of Hunter.

*University Faculty Senate*

Congratulations to Professors Reuben Blundell (Music) and Jason Young (Psychology and FDA Vice President), who were elected in October as Hunter's newest delegates to the UFS. Their terms go through May 2013.

The other delegates are:

Vivette Ancona—Adjunct in Economics  
Steven Baumann—School of Nursing  
Stephen Demeo—Curriculum and Teaching  
Hal Grossman—Library  
Eckard Kuhn-Osius—German  
Arlene Spark—Nutrition, Urban Public Health Program  
Jean-Jacques Strayer—Library

The next UFS Elections will be held in April, when we expect 6 seats to be open. The UFS meets monthly at the Graduate Center. Chancellor Goldstein and other top CUNY administrators appear frequently to answer faculty questions. The UFS also offers the opportunity to serve on CUNY-wide committees. For more information see <http://www.cunyufs.org>.

PSC-CUNY, Hunter Chapter

Chair: Professor Tami Gold (Film and Media)

The next PSC-CUNY chapter meeting will be on December 1, 2010, in the Faculty-Staff Lounge, 8<sup>th</sup> floor Hunter West.

School of Nursing: Search for a New Dean

The finalists are:

J. Taylor Harden (PhD, RN, FGSA, FAAN), Assistant to the Director of Special Populations, National Institute on Aging, National Institutes of Health

Gail C. McCain (PhD, RN, FAAN), Professor and Vice Dean/Senior Associate Dean, Academic Affairs, School of Nursing and Health Studies, University of Miami

Annette Wysocki (PhD, RN, C, FAAN), Professor in the Schools of Nursing and Medicine at the University of Mississippi Medical Center, Jackson

Joyce P. Griffin-Sobel (PhD, RN, AOCN, CNE, ANEF), Professor, Assistant Dean, Curriculum and Technology, and Director of Undergraduate Programs at Hunter-Bellevue School of Nursing

The committee consists of the following faculty members:

Neal Cohen, Public Health and Social Work (chair)

Diana Mason, Nursing

Donna Nickitas, Nursing

Carol Roye, Nursing

Joseph Saladino, Nursing

Gary Krasilovsky, Health Sciences

The student members are:

Mimi Lim, Nursing

Irene Odonkor, Nursing

Sheila Spencer, Nursing

FDA Meetings, Spring 2011

The FDA general meetings are open to all faculty. They are held on the third Wednesday of the month, from 1:10 to 3 PM, in room 1203 Hunter East. We provide cookies, coffee, and tea. Below are the dates on which the FDA will be meeting in the coming semester:

February 16

March 16

April 13 or 27 (to be determined)

May 18

Faculty Socials

The FDA holds a faculty social each semester. At the behest of FDA Executive Committee member Professor Steven Baumann of Nursing we held this semester's gathering at Brookdale. The event was well attended and the mood was convivial. It was a good opportunity for faculty of the Schools of Nursing and Public Health to get re-acquainted. It also gave folks from the 68<sup>th</sup> Street campus the chance to meet their too seldom seen colleagues from 25<sup>th</sup> Street. Next semester's social will be held in March at the 68<sup>th</sup> Street campus. Look for an announcement in February at <http://hunter.cuny.edu/fda/social>.

Department Chairs and Program Directors

We would like to recognize the contributions made by the current department chairs and program directors to Hunter. They are

Africana Puerto Rican / Latino Studies – Ehiedu Iweriebor

Anthropology – Marc Edelman

Art – Tom Weaver

Biological Sciences – Shirley Raps

Chemistry – Hiroshi Matsui

Classical & Oriental Studies – Tamara Green

Communication Sciences – Paul Cascella

Computer Science – Virginia Teller

Curriculum & Teaching – Jennifer Tuten

Dance – Jana Feinman

Economics – Marjorie Honig

Educational Foundations & Counseling

Programs – Gess LeBlanc (Acting)

English – Cristina Alfar  
Film & Media Studies – James Roman  
Geography – Ines Miyares (Acting)  
German – Elke Nicolai  
History – Richard Belsky  
Library – Dan Cherubin  
Mathematics & Statistics – Robert Thompson  
(Acting)  
Medical Lab Sciences – Steven Einheber  
Music – Ruth DeFord  
Nursing – Joyce Griffin-Sobel  
Philosophy – Laura Keating  
Physical Therapy – Gary Krasilovsky  
Physics & Astronomy – Ying-Chih Chen  
Political Science – Charles Tien  
Psychology – Vanya Quinones  
Religion – Barbara Sproul  
Romance Languages – Giuseppe Di Scipio  
SEEK – Patricia Martin  
Sociology – Charles Green  
Special Education – Timothy Lackaye (Acting)  
Theatre – Barbara Bosch  
Thomas Hunter Honors Program – Elizabeth  
K. Beaujour  
Urban Affairs – Joseph P. Viteritti  
Women & Gender Studies – Rupal Oza

### **Promotions, Retirements, and Sabbaticals**

#### **Promotions**

#### **To Full Professor**

##### School of Arts and Sciences

Der-Lin Chao – Classical & Oriental Studies  
Mick Hubris-Cherrier – Film & Media Studies  
Felix Matos Rodriguez – Africana & Puerto  
Rican/Latino Studies  
Charles Tien – Political Science

##### School of Education

Stephen DeMeo – Curriculum & Teaching

##### School of Health Professions

Arlene Spark – Health Sciences  
William Gallo – Health Sciences

#### **To Associate Professor:**

##### School of Arts & Sciences

Lisa Marie Anderson – German  
Yitzhak Berger – Classical & Oriental Studies

#### **To Senior Lab Technician:**

##### School of Arts & Sciences

Timothy Laun – Art

#### **Retirements**

Michael Smith (SSW)—effective 1/27/11  
Shirley Cohen (Special Education)—effective  
1/27/11  
Ada Peluso (Mathematics & Statistics)—  
effective 1/27/11  
Robert Perinbanayagam (Sociology)—  
effective 1/27/11  
Jaafar Kassem-Ali (AFPRL-Lecturer)—  
effective 1/27/11  
Roberta Graziano (SSW)—effective 1/27/11  
Mary Kopola (Education Foundation)—  
effective 1/27/11  
George P. Gonzalez (Curriculum &  
Teaching)—effective 1/27/11  
Carlos Hortas (Romance Languages)—  
effective 1/27/11  
Joan Spitzer (Romance Languages)—effective  
1/27/11  
Helen M. Newman (Psychology)—effective  
1/27/11  
Mary P. Lefkarites (Curriculum &  
Teaching)—effective 11/2/10  
Salomon Rettig (Psychology)—effective  
1/27/11  
Carmen Mercado (Curriculum & Teaching)—  
effective 1/27/11  
Robert Fried (Psychology)—effective 1/27/11  
Angelo V. Santoro (Chemistry)—effective  
1/27/11

#### **Sabbaticals**

#### **FULL YEAR/EIGHTY PERCENT (80%)**

Susan Crile, Art  
Valerie Jaudon, Art  
Brian Wood, Art  
Jill Bargonetti-Chavarria, Biological Sciences  
Wiegang Qiu, Biological Sciences

Thomas Schmidt-Glenewinkel, Biological Sciences  
William Sakas, Computer Science  
Ingmar Nyman, Economics  
Cristina Alfar, English  
Marlene Hennessy, English  
Harriet Luria, English  
Michael Gitlin, Film & Media Studies  
Greggory Morris, Film & Media Studies  
Jochen Albrecht, Geography  
Frank Kirkland, Philosophy  
Neepa Maitra, Physics & Astronomy  
Eva Bellin, Political Science  
Andrew Polsky, Political Science  
Shirzad Jenab, Psychology  
Anselmo Di Iorio, Romance Languages  
Nancy Foner, Sociology  
Ruth Sidel, Sociology  
Peter Tuckel, Sociology  
Laxmi Ramasubramanian, Urban Affairs & Planning  
Susan Turner-Meiklejohn, Urban Affairs & Planning  
Deborah Jensen, Curriculum & Teaching  
Kunsook Bernstein, Health Sciences  
Barbara Berney, Health Sciences  
Nicholas Freudenberg, Health Sciences  
Beatrice, Krauss, Health Sciences  
Dava Waltzman, Health Sciences

#### **HALF-YEAR/FULL PAY**

Nari Ward, Art  
Manu Bhagavan, History

#### **HALF-YEAR/FULL PAY CHAIRS' LEAVE**

Rivka Friedman, Classical & Oriental Studies  
Ying-Chih Chen, Physics & Astronomy

#### **HALF YEAR/EIGHTY PERCENT LEAVE**

Thomas Jambois, Mathematics & Statistics

#### **SCHOLAR INCENTIVE AWARD**

Sprio Alexandratos, Chemistry

#### Contacting Us

We seek input from all faculty. The best way to get in touch is e-mail at [fda@hunter.cuny.edu](mailto:fda@hunter.cuny.edu). Sending concerns,

complaints, kudos, or offering assistance will be greatly appreciated and be promptly addressed.

#### **The Solarium**

The Faculty Conference Room located at 1413 Hunter East now has wireless access to the internet and is available for use, first come, first served. Please contact Mr. James Regan or Ms. Ilham Kapadia at [fda@hunter.cuny.edu](mailto:fda@hunter.cuny.edu) or 212-772-4181, or in HE 1414 for information about reserving the room.

#### **The Faculty/Staff Lounge**

The FDA faculty lounge is open to all faculty and staff. The lounge provides a comfortable, quiet space to read or meet with colleagues. Also, check out the latest issue of the *Chronicle of Higher Education* while you're there. The lounge is located in the northeast corner of the 8<sup>th</sup> floor of Hunter West, next to the Faculty Dining Room. Free coffee and cookies!

#### **The Fall 2010 lounge hours are:**

Monday	1-6 PM
Tuesday	1-6 PM
Wednesday	1-6 PM
Thursday	2:30-6 PM
Friday	1-6 PM

We hope to maintain these hours in the spring. Outside of these times the lounge is available to faculty and staff who would like to schedule small events. If you are interested, please contact Mr. James Regan or Ms. Ilham Kapadia at [fda@hunter.cuny.edu](mailto:fda@hunter.cuny.edu), 212-772-4123, or in HE 1414 for information about reserving the room.

