

## MINUTES

### Meeting of the Hunter College Senate

### 23 April 2014

1 The 561<sup>st</sup> meeting of the Hunter College Senate was convened at 3:44 PM in Room W714.

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3 **Presiding:** Christa Davis Acampora, Chair

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5 **Attendance:** The elected members of the Senate with the exception of those marked absent in Appendix I.

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7 Alternate Senators were formally seated in accordance with the procedures approved by the  
 8 Senate, and clickers were distributed to them.

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10 It was noted that this is the first meeting in which the Brookdale campus is participating remotely.  
 11 Special voting arrangements and procedures have been arranged.

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13 **Report by the President:** **The following is a summary statement of President Raab's report to the Senate. She said:**

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15 "I will start with an exciting report about our first homecoming. We had between 1,200 to 1,300  
 16 guests, from recent graduates and undergraduates to students that graduate in 1934. Bel Kaufman  
 17 commanded the microphone after my speech. It was an uplifting event. There were so many  
 18 alums on Saturday and many faculty gave lectures. The alums were engaged and blown away by  
 19 the programs and the facilities. The alums feel connected to their alma-mater. We had activities  
 20 for people with young family. Grandmothers brought their grandkids. The Chemistry Department  
 21 did some experiments for the kids. The Dance Department worked with young kids and did a  
 22 performance. There were events all over the building. The Art Department held auctions and the  
 23 jazz band also played. People came from 9:00AM and stayed till 5:30PM. A reception was held  
 24 afterwards. The Macaulay Program stayed until about 8:00PM. It is something we want to build  
 25 going into the future. You will be hearing from us next year on how to participate. We can finally  
 26 connect with our alumni body and bring them back into the school. Some departments have open  
 27 houses. People have found them to be successful. For example, Sociology brings back graduates  
 28 and professors to reconnect with former students. Again, we need to build on that and if  
 29 departments have talked about how to connect with alums, we need to hear the great ideas so we  
 30 can grow this. A lot of new relationship occurred and I just want to put it in everyone  
 31 consciousness because you can help us with this. Contributions of millions of dollars are  
 32 wonderful but in some ways it's more important to get \$100 or \$10 gifts. The US News and World  
 33 Report have categories about alumni satisfaction and their ways of measuring are by the number  
 34 of alumni that gives to their college. So, it does not matter if you give \$10 or a million. There  
 35 were 1,200 people that came in. However, some of them have not been giving. So now we sort of  
 36 grab them in a particular way. Some people signed for recurring gifts from their credit cards.  
 37 Again, if it's \$10/month, it's wonderful to have \$120 more. It is more important to have people  
 38 come back, connecting, and giving. It was a wonderful success and we had a lot of good feelings  
 39 that we are hoping to build on.

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41 Graduation is May 27th. We are back in the Radio City Music Hall. We have the perfect speaker  
 42 for graduation, Wynton Marsalis. The one reason why he has agree to do this it because the Music  
 43 and History Department has been working very hard with Jazz at Lincoln Center on incorporating  
 44 Jazz at into the curriculum. The departments are moving ahead with Jazz Studies Minor. Wynton  
 45 believes deeply in public educations and is excited to be able to connect with us.

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47 We would like to thank Christa and the administrative team for agreeing that on May 14th Senate  
 48 we are going to set aside 30 minutes for community discussion on the PRR. The PRR is the report  
 49 that shows how we do in terms of the standard that has been set for us by Middle States. There is  
 50 no visit in this half way mark but there is an extensive report by Vita and the committees for the  
 51 PRR. On May 5th, we plan on posting the report so everyone can access and discuss the report

that is due on June 1st. We really need your comments and we have asked people to please take a look at it, come back, and let us know your thoughts.

We also have asked Christa on how the Senate is going to proceed with giving us feedbacks on the PMP presentation at the last Senate meeting. We need community feedback on some of next year's goals for the college. We will look forward to hearing your feedback.

Hopefully, next week we will hear some news regarding college-wide searches. Today, I know you will be working on the search that will start in the summer for Dean of Arts and Sciences. I am hoping very soon we will identify an extraordinary candidate to be an Acting Vice President for Administration. I am hoping to make that announcement next week and that the person will be going for CUNY approval in June.

Final call out to our scientists. Vita has been working very hard on the RFP process for who will be going to our new Cornell building. We are hoping that we will be able to announce those decisions in June."

**Report by the  
Administrative  
Committee:**

The Chair, Professor Christa Davis Acampora, presented the report as follows:

**a) Approved Curriculum Changes**

The following curriculum changes as listed in the Reports Part I and Part II dated 23 April 2014 have been approved as per Senate resolution and are submitted for the Senate's information: US-1924 (Program In Asian American Studies), US-1925 (Biological Sciences), US-1927 (Psychology), US-1926 (Psychology), US-1929 (English), US-1930 (Philosophy), US-1931 (Urban Affairs), US-1932 (Economics), US-1933 (Mathematics & Statistics), GS-986 (Biological Sciences), GS-987 (Biological Sciences), GS-978 (Geography), GS-989 (Medical Lab Sciences), and GS-992 (Curriculum & Teaching, Educational Foundations and Special Education).

**b) Election of Nominees for the Search Committee for Dean of School of  
Arts & Sciences**

**NOMINEES FOR FACULTY PANEL:**

1. Humanities & Arts:

Elke Nicolai, German  
Jeff Mongrain, Art & Art History  
Hendrik Dey, Art & Art History  
Joachim Pissarro, Art & Art History  
Alan Vardy, English  
Edgardo Melendez, AFPRL  
Robert Koehl, Classical and Oriental Studies  
Gerald Press, Philosophy  
Elizabeth Beaujour, Classical & Oriental Studies

2. Social Sciences:

Jeffrey Parsons, Psychology  
Victoria Luine, Psychology  
Cheryl Harding, Psychology  
Vanya Quinones-Jenab, Psychology  
Ingmar Nyman, Economics  
Jill Gross, Urban Affairs & Planning  
John Wallach, Political Science  
Michael Wood, Sociology

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- 114 3. Sciences & Mathematics
- 115 Dana Sylvan, Mathematics & Statistics
- 116 Mark Hillery, Physics & Astronomy
- 117 Charles Michael Drain, Chemistry
- 118 Kelle Cruz, Physics & Astronomy
- 119 Jesus Angulo, Biology
- 120 Rob Thompson, Mathematics & Statistics
- 121 Jackie Brown, Anthropology
- 122 Felisa Vazquez-Abad, Computer Science

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124 Tellers were appointed, and written ballots were distributed for the election of 8 faculty  
125 members for the Member Panel. The count will be available at the next meeting, after we  
126 receive the paper ballots from Brookdale.

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128 **NOMINEES FOR STUDENT PANEL:**

- 129 Abdul Rad
- 130 Claire Bleiler
- 131 Maha Haroun
- 132 Julia Papell
- 133 Rose Rushing
- 134 Elizabeth Savarese
- 135 Jodi Seymour
- 136 Sara Shenias
- 137 Janno Tavas
- 138 Jonathan Ayala

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140 Tellers were appointed, and written ballots were distributed for the election of 6 student  
141 members for the Member Panel. The count will be available at the next meeting.

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143 **NOMINEES FOR CHAIR PANEL:**

- 144 Dean David Steiner, School of Education
- 145 Prof. Marilyn Auerbach, School of Public Health

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147 It was moved that the Secretary be instructed to cast a single ballot in favor of the nominees  
148 for Chair Panel. The motion was approved by voice vote without dissent.

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151 It was moved that the meeting be adjourned. The motion carried and the meeting adjourned at 4:11  
152 PM.

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154 Respectfully submitted,

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157 Lisa Marie Anderson  
158 Secretary  
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APPENDIX I

The following attendance was noted from the meeting

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

Faculty					
AFPRL	Anthony Browne	A	Mathematics & Statistics	Sandra Clarkson	A
	Milagros Denis-Rosario	(A) X		Rob Thompson	X
	Edgardo Melendez	(A) X		Verna Segarra	(A) X
Anthropology	Jacqueline Nassy Brown	X		Patrick Burke	(A) A
	Ignasi Clemente	(A) X	Medial Laboratory Sciences	Shahana Mahajan	A
	Jessica Rothman	(A) L		Robert Raffaniello	(A) X
Art & Art History	Malik Gaines	A		Dean Johnston	(A) X
	Daniel Bozhkov	L	Music	Jewel Thompson	A
	Alt.Susanna Cole	(A) X		Maura Donahue	(A) X
Biological Sciences	Harper Montgomery	(A) X		Catherine Coppola	(A) L
	Shirley Raps	A	School of Nursing	David Keepnews	A
	Paul Feinstein	L			0 0
Chemistry	Maria Figueiredo-Pereira	(A) X		Kenya Beard	(A) A
	Jesus Angulo	(A) X		Anita Nirenberg	(A) A
	Akira Kawamura	A	Philosophy	Omar Dahbour	X
Classical & Oriental Studies	Pamela Mills	(A) X		Frank Kirkland	(A) X
		0 (A) 0		Laura Keating	(A) A
	Joanne Spurza	X	Physics & Astronomy	Marilyn Rothschild	A
Computer Science	Lawrence Kowerski	(A) A		Kelle Cruz	(A) A
		0 (A) 0		Ying-chih Chen	(A) X
	Feliza Vasquez-Abad	X	Political Science	Leonard Feldman	A
Curriculum & Teaching	Saad Mneimneh	(A) X		Zachary Shirkey	(A) X
	Virginia Teller	(A) X		Charles Tien	(A) X
	Nadine A. Bryce	L	Psychology	Joseph Lao	A
Economics	Jason Wirtz	A		Roseanne Flores	A
	Steve Demeo	(A) X		Brooke Wells	(A) X
	Ben Shuldiner	(A) X		Jason Young	(A) X
Educational Foundations	Howard Chernick	X	Physical Therapy	Herb Karpatkin	X
	Avi Liveson	X			0 (A) 0
	Timothy Goodspeed	(A) X			0 (A) 0
English		0 (A) 0	Romance Languages	Rolando Perez	X
		0 0		Monica Calabrito	X
		0 (A) 0		Paolo Fasoli	(A) X
Film & Media Studies		0 (A) 0		Michael Perna	(A) X
	Leigh Jones	L	School of Social Work	Marina Lalayants	X
	Sarah Chinn	L			0 0
Geography	Barbara Webb	(A) A		Mimi Abramovitz	(A) X
	Stephen Wetta	(A) A		Ilze Earner	(A) X
	Tim Portlock	X	Sociology	Mark Halling	A
German	Tami Gold	X		Joong-Hwan Oh	(A) X
	Bill Herman	(A) X		Mike Benediktsson	(A) X
	Ricardo Miranda	(A) X	Special Education	Angela Mouzakis	X
School of Health Professions	Haydee Salmun	A		Elissa Brown	(A) A
	Jochen Albrecht	(A) X			0 (A) 0
		0 (A) 0	Speech-Language Pathology and Audiology	Susan Wortsman	A
History	Lisa Marie Anderson	A		Don Vogel	(A) A
	Eckhard Kuhn-Osius	(A) A			0 (A) 0
	Elke Nicolai	(A) A	Theatre	Deepsikha Chatterjee	0 L
Library		0 0		Mia Rovegno	(A) L
		0 (A) 0			0 (A) 0
	Daniel Margocsy	X	Urban Affairs	Jill Simone Gross	A
School of Urban Public Health	Richard Belsky	(A) A		Stanley Moses	(A) X
	Thomas Head	(A) X			0 (A) 0
	Mee'Len Hom	A		Dean Johnston	X
	John Pell	(A) A		Lydia Isaac	(A) X
	Jonathan Cain	(A) X			

**Students**

Carol Szwci	X
Matthew Ramos	X
Alexander Lemell	X
Patricia Colon	X
Mauricio Bardales	X
Abdul Rad	X
Nicole Lyalin	X
Kidus Gebrekidan	X
Joseph Franzese	X
Kascem Hewitt	X
Ariela Hazan	X
Madiha Wasti	X
Ibrahim Alsaygh	X
Julia Camila Jones	X
Jason Sloan	X
Wilson Chow	X
Sara Shenan	X
Eamon Pickard	A
Sandrea Sicango	X
Shawn Rafeey	A
Andy Lall	X
Jonah Garnick	X
Benedict Joson	X
Nishat Tabassum	A
Asad Mannan	A
Kevin Jackson	X
Sayed Shune	X
Candace Lawrence	X
Barukh Rohde	X
Hira Gulzar	X
Kevin Mishan	X
Abraham Gutman	X
Reginald Holder	X
Javier Picayo	X
Hameda Khandaker	X
Zhong Linda Lin	X
Ashley Wong	A
Chireau White	A
Christopher Lai	A
Roman Povolotskiy	X
Joseph Lipari	A

**At-Large, Lecturers and Part-Time Faculty**

Student Services	Madlyn Stokely		A
	Shannon Salinas	(A)	A
Mathematics & Statistics	Bill Williams		X
Student Services	Brian Buckwald		A
Library	Jocelyn Berger-Barrera		A
English	Amy Robbins		L
Thomas Hunter Honors	Sarah Jeninsky		A
Mathematics & Statistics	Barbara Barone		A
Classical & Oriental Studies	Elizabeth Beaujour		A
Film and Media Studies	Gustavo Mercado		A
Chemistry	Gabriela Smeureanu		A
		0	0
Philosophy	Christa D. Acampora		A
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**Ex-Officio**

President, USG	Steven Wendel		X
Vice President, Graduate Student Association	Luis Gutierrez		X
President Alumni Association	Anne Seifried		X
President, HEO Forum	Sharmeen Ahmed		X
President, CLT Council	Amy Jeu		X

**ADMINISTRATION**

Senators:			
HEO/CLT Representative		0	0
Vice President for Student Affairs	Eija Ayraivain		A
Chief Operating Officer		0	0
Provost	Vita Rabinowitz		L
Dean, School of Arts & Sciences	Andrew Polsky		A
Alternate Senators (3):			
School of Education	Dean David Steiner		A
School of Social Work	Dean Jacqueline Mondros		X
School of Nursing	Dean Gail McCain		A

**TEMPORARY REALLOCATION OF SEATS (clickers)**

Department/Program:			
Asian American Studies Program	Jennifer Hayashida		A
Program in Religion	David Cereguas		X
Women and Gender Studies Program	Jennifer Gaboury		A