

MINUTES

Meeting of the Hunter College Senate

8 November 2017

1 The 605th meeting of the Hunter College Senate convened at 3:41 PM in HW room 714.

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3 **Presiding:** Thomas DeGloma, 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 Senate,
8 and clickers were distributed to them.

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10 **Report by**
11 **the President:**

12 **President Raab said the following:**

13 Thank you to everyone here for the work that you have already done to move us ahead in the Middle
14 States process and for the work you're going to be doing today related to the Institutional Learning
15 Outcomes. I have been really impressed with the conversations. I can tell that a very broad and
16 impressive vision for our learning outcomes has been created since the time when we discussed
17 broadening the group that was having input, to insure that students, staff, and faculty from all schools
18 were included. I think it is really inspirational and aspirational.

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20 I am very pleased to report that we received a letter from our Middle States liaison who was very,
21 very complimentary in approving our self-study outline. He was very responsive to what he found on
22 the campus, including the enthusiasm and broad participation. He was very pleased with the proposed
23 outline for the self-study. I want to congratulate everyone on getting us to that point. It is very exciting
24 and I am looking forward to the outcome of today's conversation.

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26 We had a very interesting conversation at the Senate Administrative Committee meeting about the
27 vision and what we hope our students will leave Hunter with. We had a conversation about how we
28 can make sure our students are able to be strong communicators, verbally as well as in the written
29 form. I am hopeful that this can find its way into the conversation today.

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31 In terms of the Middle States liaison's response letter, Congratulations to all. It was very
32 complimentary, very supportive, and we're very much on our way. So thank you, Tom, for your
33 leadership. We just have to continue to stay the course and continue to move forward on the plan.

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35 I also wanted to report another piece of very exciting news: the City of New York invited eleven
36 CUNY campuses to compete for a tech pipeline program with the goal of increasing the number of
37 qualified professionals in the tech field in New York. The Mayor's vision is for New York to become
38 Silicon Alley and increase the talent pool of candidates for technology jobs. To do that he was willing
39 to make a significant investment in the City University system in order to make sure our students are
40 really qualified for the top tech jobs. Hunter competed with the eleven colleges and I am extremely
41 pleased and very grateful to the leadership of William Sakas, in the Department of Computer Science,
42 and the people at Student Services and the Provost's office, in particular Christa Acampora, who led
43 our initiative, that we have received a \$2.5 million grant from the city. The money will be used to
44 increase and support the faculty and advisors in our Department of Computer Science. It will also
45 create a tech pipeline where 25 students will be intensively trained for high-level technology jobs.
46 They will have paid internships in the field and will immediately be qualified for the high-level jobs
47 in the tech field. We are really very excited to be part of this program and look forward to reporting
48 on the results.

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55 Finally, I would like to ask all of you who are available tomorrow at 3:30 PM to join us in cutting the
 56 ribbon for our new Multifaith Center in Thomas Hunter 417. We are very excited that for the first
 57 time at Hunter, we have brought all of our faith-based student groups into one physical area. They
 58 will have club space in one area, plus one open room for multi-faith collaborations, services, and
 59 service learning. We are hoping that this will improve our campus climate by bringing us all together
 60 and working together in this way. We are very proud to have launched this initiative. I hope you will
 61 join us and our student groups to celebrate this new part of student life at Hunter College. Thank you
 62 very much.

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 64 **Report by the**
 65 **Administrative**
 66 **Committee:**

67 **a) Approved Curriculum Changes**

68 The following curriculum changes as listed in the attached Report dated 8 November 2017
 69 have been approved as per Senate resolution and are submitted for the Senate's information:
 70 Item: UR-2159 English (Change in courses).

71 **b) Results for Nominees for Search Committee for Provost**

72 Below are the nominees elected by the Senate. From the list, the President has selected a chair,
 73 four faculty members, and three students. The vote count and the President's selection are in
 74 Appendix II.

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 76 **Nominees for Chair Panel:**

77 Prof. Sandra Clarkson, Mathematics and Statistics

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 79 **Nominees for Member Panel:**

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 81 **FACULTY**

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 83 1. Humanities & Arts:

84 Prof. Sylvia Tomasch, English

85 Prof. Omar Dahbour, Philosophy

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 87 2. Social Sciences:

88 Prof. Charles Tien, Political Science

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 90 3. Sciences & Mathematics

91 Prof. Sean Ahearn, Geography

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 93 4. School of Education:

94 Prof. Sherryl Graves, Educational Foundations

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 96 5. School of Nursing, Health Professions, and Urban Public Health

97 Prof. Judith Aponte, Nursing

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 99 6. School of Social Work/Library

100 Prof. Lisa Finder, Library

101 Prof. Michael Lewis, School of Social Work

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 103 **STUDENTS**

104 Michelle LaBarbera, Italian

105 Mordechai Katz, MSW

106 Cristina Zambrano, Chemistry

107 Raima Zaman, Undeclared

108 Alexa Wong, Chemistry

109 Linda Yohannes, Biology/Economics

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 114 **Institutional** **Open Discussion on Hunter College Institutional Learning Outcomes**
 115 **Learning**
 116 **Outcomes:**

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 119 **Committee**
 120 **Report:** **Ad-hoc Committee on the Governance of Programs and Interdisciplinary Structures**
 121 Prof. Jessie Daniels, Chair of the Committee, said the following:

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 123 “Hello everyone, thanks for inviting me to present on our committee. Our Ad-Hoc committee
 124 was established by a Senate resolution in April of 2017. The overall charge to our committee
 125 from this body is to address issues related to the governance of programs and interdisciplinary
 126 structures, including “those entities officially named programs, institutes, centers, schools, or any
 127 other non-departmental or interdisciplinary entities offering or managing course of study in any
 128 capacity.” For our committee this aspect of offering or managing course of study in any capacity
 129 has become the core of what we are looking at.

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 131 There are 16 members total of the committee. There are ten faculty, the chair, three students,
 132 both undergraduate and graduate, and three administrators. We have had six meetings to date and
 133 basically the work of the committee so far has been to divide into sub-committees, because it is
 134 such a large committee and such a large charge. The first of the sub-committees is Principles and
 135 Values, which considers how the promotion of flexibility and innovation in scholarship and
 136 curriculum development fits with the values and vision of the college. The second sub-committee
 137 is Personnel and Consultation, which is primarily concerned with mapping the terrain of
 138 programs, centers, institutes, and other interdisciplinary structures at Hunter. You will not be
 139 surprised to learn that this information is not written down anywhere, so that has been a big
 140 aspect of our committee. That sub-committee is also developing a list of personnel who might
 141 have information or perspective to contribute to that. The third sub-committee is Rules and
 142 Procedures, which is concerned with researching the college and university rules and procedures
 143 that pertain to governance. In other words, what is in the by-laws that tells us what governance
 144 should do.

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 146 A lot of what we’ve been doing in our meetings and work outside of the meetings is to try to
 147 gather information on what the range of structures are that exist at Hunter College, and to drill
 148 down to what those look like in terms of governance. As part of that, we created a survey
 149 instrument that went to all the directors of programs, centers, institutes, etc. Right now we are in
 150 the process of completing, with the support of the Provost’s Office, going through the data and
 151 compiling it into one document that is readable and accessible to the committee members. We
 152 are nearing completion of that now and will have the findings ready to present at our next
 153 committee meeting on November 15th. I would be happy to return after that and speak to the
 154 Senate about what we found and am happy to take any questions.”

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 157 **Nominating Committee**

158 Professor Jeffrey Allred, Chair of the Committee, presented the report dated 8 November 2017.
 159 The Nominating Committee submitted the following nominations for seats currently vacant on
 160 Senate committees:

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 162 **Report by the Nominating Committee**

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 164 The Nominating Committee is submitting the following nominations for seats currently vacant
 165 on Senate Committees:

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- 172 **1. Committee on the Budget**
- 173 Faculty from Education: Gina Riley (Special Education)
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- 175 **2. Departmental Governance:**
- 176 Faculty from Social Sciences: Iryna Vushko (History)
- 177 Faculty from Nursing, Public Health, Mitch Solovay (Nursing)
- 178 or Urban Public Health:
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- 180 **3. Committee on the Library:**
- 181 Faculty from Education: Marcus Artigliere (Curriculum & Teaching)
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- 183 Faculty from Nursing, Public Health, Michelle Macroy-Higgins (SPLA)
- 184 or Urban Public Health:
- 185 Students: Mason Brown
- 186 Andrea Baden
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- 188 **4. Committee on Grade Appeals:**
- 189 Faculty: Larry Shore (Film & Media)
- 190 Abigail Kotowski (Nursing)
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- 192 **5. Committee on Master Plan:**
- 193 Faculty Alternate: Nicora Placa (Curriculum & Teaching)
- 194 Student: Katrina Bakhl
- 195 Student Alternate: Priscilla Amanquah
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- 197 **6. Committee on Charter Review:**
- 198 Faculty Alternate: Julie Van Peteghem (Romance Languages)
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- 201 **7. Committee on Computing & Technology**
- 202 Faculty Alternate: Marcus Artigliere (Curriculum & Teaching)
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- 205 **8. Committee on Academic Freedom:**
- 206 Faculty from Nursing, Health Professions, Philip Alcabes (Community Health)
- 207 or Urban Public Health:
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- 209 **9. Committee on Academic Assessment & Evaluation:**
- 210 Faculty from Education: Gina Riley (Special Education)
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213 It was moved that the Secretary be instructed to cast a single ballot in favor of the nominees. The

214 motion carried by voice vote without dissent.

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216 The meeting was adjourned at 5:19 PM.

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220 Respectfully submitted,

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223 Dana G. Reimer

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APPENDIX I

The following attendance was noted from the meeting

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

Faculty					
AFPRL	Anthony Browne	A	Mathematics & Statistics	Sandra Clarkson	A
	Denis Milagros	(A) X		Bill Williams	A
	Edgardo Melendez	(A) A		Patrick Burke	(A) A
Anthropology	Jackie Brown	X		Verna Segarra	(A) A
	David Hodges	(A) A	Medial Laboratory Sciences	Chad Euler	A
	William Parry	(A) X		Robert Raffaniello	(A) X
Art & Art History	Daniel Bozhkov	E		Muktar Mahajan	(A) X
	Lynda Klich	X	Music	Jewel Thompson	A
	Susan Cole	(A) X		Michele Cabrini	(A) E
	Susan Crile	(A) X			(A)
Biological Sciences	Derrick Brazill	A	School of Nursing	Christine Ganzer	X
	Shirley Raps	A		Abigail Kotowski	A
	Paul Feinstein	(A) X		Charles Reuter	(A) A
	Maria Pereira	(A) X	Philosophy	Omar Dahbour	A
Chemistry	Akira Kawamura	A		Frank Kirkland	(A) A
	Gabriela Smeureanu	(A) A		Christa Acampora	(A) A
	Nancy Greenbaum	(A) X	Physics & Astronomy		
Classical & Oriental Studies	David Petrain	E			(A)
	Dai Fang	(A) X			(A)
	Shawna Leigh	(A) X	Political Science	John Wallach	A
Computer Science	Lei Xie	X		Jill Schwedler	(A) X
		(A)		Michael Lee	(A) X
		(A)	Psychology	Roseann Flores	A
Curriculum & Teaching	Jason Writz	X		Jonathan Rendina	A
	Karen Koellner	A		Peter Moller	(A) X
		(A)	Physical Therapy	Chris Braun	(A) A
Dance	Maura Donohue	A			(A)
	Carol Walker	(A) X			(A)
		(A)	Romance Languages	Monica Schinaider	A
Economics	Avi Liveson	A		Julie Van Peteghem	(A) A
	Tim Goodspeed	X			(A)
	John Li	(A) X	School of Social Work	Carolyn Gelman	X
		(A)		Michael Lewis	X
Educational Foundations & Cou	Veronica Muller	X			(A)
	Alexander Fietzer	(A) A			(A)
		(A)	Sociology	Mark Halling	A
English	Leigh Jones	A			(A)
	Sarah Chinn	A		Michaela Soyer	(A) X
	Steven Wetta	X	Special Education	Elizabeth Klein	A
		(A)		Jennifer Klein	A
	Sissel McCarthy	(A) A		Elissa Brown	(A) X
Film & Media Studies			Speech-Language Pathology and Audiolo	Donald Vogel	(A) A
	Larry Shore	(A) X		Michelle MacRoy-Higgins	X
	Isabel Pinedo	(A) X		Carol Silverman	(A) X
Geography	Ines Miyares	A	Theatre		
	Shipeng Sun	(A) A		Jonathan Kalb	X
		(A)		Claudia Orenstein	(A) A
German	Elke Nicolai	A	Urban Policy and Planning	Victoria Johnson	X
	Eckhard Kuhn-Osius	(A) A		William Milczarski	(A) A
	Ane Zmmeman	(A) A			(A)
History	Rick Belsky	A	School of Urban Public Health	Phil Alcabes	A
	Iryna Vushko	(A) A		Steven Trasino	(A) X
	Jill Rosenthal	X		Khursheed Navder	(A) A
Library	Sarah Ward	A	Women & Gender Studies	Jennifer Gaboury	A
	Adina Milliken	E		Catherine Raissiguier	(A) X
	Mee' Len Hom	(A) A		Rupal Oza	(A) X
	Danise Hoover	(A) X			

Students

Mila Adelman	X
Maria Pia Sifuentes	A
Richard Lu	A
Alexa Michel	X
Sandra-May Flowers	X
Milana Khaitova	X
Polina Safovich	A
Sara Shanaj	X
Kendra Cornelis	X
Noam Sohn	A
Alfie Corteza	A
Lucien Formichella	X
Fatmata Barrie	X
Alyssa Lombardi	E
Shannon O'Rourke	X
Asheley Siewnarine	X
Demi Moore	A
Daria Larine	X
Saim Siddiqui	X
Linda Yohannes	X
Anam Khalid	X
Nicolas Fuchs	X
Nibras Karim	X
Jessica Flaherty	X
Jasmine Azeharie	X
Nouhaila Terrab	X
Christopher Cantor	E
Ilya Geller	X
Maneka Phiri	X
Dine Butler	A
Michael Galka-Giaquinto	A
Hieu Dang	X
Cara Fitzgerald	X
Melanie Lozier	X
Sarah Lamsifer	X
Leonid Prog	X
Edward Friedman	A
Soumya Misra	X
Stephon Odom	X
Jennifer Ulloa	X
Jacqueline Rozado	X
Rani Allan	X

At-Large, Lecturers and Part-Time Faculty

Student Services	Brian Maasjo	A
	Shannon Salinas	(A) X
Library	Jocelyn Berger-Barera	A
Geography	Dana Reimer	A
English	Meghann Williams	X
Library	Ajatshatru Pathak	A
Medicial Lab Science	Hongxing Li	A
Philosophy	Ian Blecher	X
Sociology	Thomas DeGloma	A
Urban Affairs & Planning	Elaine Walsh	A
Economics	Randal Filer	A
History	Bernadette McCauley	X
THHP	Sarah Jeninsky	A

Ex-Officio

President, USG		
Vice President, Graduate Student Association		
President Alumni Association	Kim Haffner	A
President, HEO Forum	Terry Wansart	A
President, CLT Council	Amy Jeu	X

ADMINISTRATION

Senators:		
HEO/CLA Representative	Brian Buckwald	A
Vice President for Student Affairs	Eija Ayravainen	A
Vice President for Administration	Robert Pignatello	A
Provost, Acting	Lon Kaufman	A
Dean, School of Arts & Sciences	Andrew Polsky	A
Alternate Senators (3):		
Dean of Education	Michael Middleton	X
Special Counsel to the President & Dean	Laura Hertzog	X
School of Nursing	Gail McCain	A

APPENDIX II

Senate Vote Count for Nominees for Search Committee

FACULTY

1. HUMANITIES & ARTS:

- [32] Prof. Sylvia Tomasch, English
- [39] Prof. Omar Dahbour, Philosophy
- [20] Prof. Michael Taormina, Romance Languages

2. SOCIAL SCIENCES:

- [28] Prof. Deborah Tolman, Women and Gender Studies
- [31] Prof. Margaret Chin, Sociology
- [32] Prof. Charles Tien, Political Science
- [8] Prof. Jonathan Conning, Economics
- [28] Prof. Laura Schor, History

3. SCIENCES & MATHEMATICS:

- [22] Prof. Charles Drain, Chemistry
- [32] Prof. Sean Ahearn, Geography
- [20] Prof. Martin Bendersky, Mathematics & Statistics

4. PROGRAMS IN EDUCATION:

- [45] Prof. Sherryl Graves, Educational Foundations

5. School of Nursing, Health Professions, and Urban Public Health

- [32] Prof. Judith Aponte, Nursing
- [29] Prof. Khursheed Navder, Urban Public Health

6. SCHOOLS OF SOCIAL WORK / LIBRARY:

- [33] Prof. Lisa Finder, Library
- [13] Prof. Philip Swan, Library
- [35] Prof. Michael Lewis, School of Social Work

Search Committee for Provost

Chair:

Prof. Sandra Clarkson, Mathematics and Statistics

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