# BROOKLYN COLLEGE OF THE CITY UNIVERSITY OF NEW YORK FACULTY COUNCIL September 17, 2024

(6981) Call to order

The first meeting of Faculty Council for the 2024-2025 academic year was called to order at 3:30 pm by Professor Shortell (SOCY).

(6982) Roll call

The roll call was taken at the door. Department Chairs and Representatives: Day (AFST), He (BIOL), Murelli (CHEM), Reed (CBSE), Cox (CISC), Goldberg (ECON), Lopez (FGSW), Peterburgsky (FINC), Warren (HIST), Campos (PHIL): Delegates: Tinkelman (BUSN), Halpern (NBS), Byam (Prog Dir) were absent (-13); Langsam (CISC), Sandeman (PHYS), Tesman (THEA), Grubbs (VMPA) were excused (4): Administrators – Tolias, Massood & Eaton were also absent and excused. All other members were present.

(6983) Minutes of May 4, 2024

The minutes of May 4, 2024 were approved unanimously.

(6984) Steering Committee

Professor Shortell welcomed new and returning members of Faculty Council and introduced the work of Faculty Council. He then provided a summary of the work of COACHE Faculty Experience Committee and its recommendations for immediate action items. A discussion about the Resolution to establish an ad hoc Pathways Review Committee followed. The resolution to remove the phrase "by the end of the fall 2024 semester" passed with a vote of 71 yeas, 10 nays, and 5 abstentions. The resolution passed with a vote of 87 yeas, 1 nay, and 1 abstention. Professors Bloomfield (SPLC), Braine (SOCY), Glanbosky (FINC), Kingan (MATH), Lauterbach (ECAE), and Paul (ACCT) were nominated to the Faculty-Student Disciplinary Committee. Professor Shortell announced that a special election for one member of the Committee on Committees will take place at the October

meeting. Professors Park (FINC), Lin (FINC), Manlow (MME), and Menser (SUST) were nominate to the BC Auxiliary Enterprise Corporation Board. Professors Richards (WGST) and Suarez (PHYS) delivered a presentation on student learning assessment.

#### (6985) Committee on Committees

The latest slate was approved with a vote of 85 yeas, 0 nays, and 0 abstention.

#### (6986) Degree List

Professor Shortell announced that Degree Lists 2024/13 was approved over the summer by the Faculty Council Steering Committee. Degree Lists 2025/1 & 2 were approved with a vote of 83 yeas, 0 nays, and 0 abstentions.

### (6987) Standing Committees

Committee on General Education: Professor Robinson (TREM) provided an update on the work of the committee.

Committee on Course & Standing: The annual report was submitted and accepted.

Committee on Research: The annual report was submitted and accepted.

## (6988) Communications from the Administration

President Anderson introduced Executive Legal Counsel & Labor Designee and Interim Chief Diversity Officer Jaclyn Helms. She thanked members for sending questions ahead of time. President Anderson addressed and refuted the claims made in a recent New York Times op-ed and affirmed Brooklyn College's commitment to wrestle with complex views. She announced We Stand Against Hate event, "How Did We Get Here and Where Can We Go? On the History and Future of Israel and Palestine," which will take place on September 24, 2024 at 12:30 in the Woody Tanger auditorium. President Anderson then provided an update on enrollment, which increased 3.4 % and thanked AVP of Student Financial Services Yasmin Ali, AVP for Recruitment Natalie Coombs Ali, Director of Strategic Partnerships and Institutional Support Ludovic Leroy, **Executive Director of Student Success Center Tracy** Newton, Vice President of Enrollment Management and Retention Lilian O'Reilly, and their teams.

Provost Bedford announced that Enrollment Management is now part of Academic Affairs. She stated that she, along

with members of the Enrollment Management team, would welcome a meeting with faculty interested in sharing ideas about recruitment of students. She clarified whose role it is to enroll students in classes. She spoke about her eagerness to learn about advisement and her plans to convene an advisory council on advisement. She plans to discuss her recent memo about the responsibility and rights of faculty and students with regard to academic freedom with the Committee on College Integrity and Academic Freedom.

Senior Vice President for Finance and Administration Gilbert provided updates about the RFPs for food services on campus and other efforts to increase food services, the status of Brooklyn College as a "high concern" campus, the resolution of key production, and facilities.

(6989) Adjournment The meeting was adjourned at 5:01 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Tim Shortell Chair

Martha Nadell Secretary