

New York City College of Technology
The City University of New York
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Minutes for the NYCCT College Council (CC) General Meeting

Date: Tuesday, November 1st, 2022

Time: 1:00 – 2:00 PM

College Council Meeting, Cycle 2

1. Quorum reached. Meeting started at 1:00 PM
2. Presentation of agenda items from Standing Committee Chairs
 - a. Curriculum Committee (Chair: Professor Sowder)
 - i. 22A CMCE 2022 Minor Curriculum Change to CM Track – proposal includes changes to course names, prerequisites, and course descriptions
 - ii. 22B COMD Minor Curriculum Modification – proposal includes updates to course descriptions, changes to the degree requirements table, and updates to pre-requisites
 - iii. 22C Changes to Data Analytics/Economics program – proposal removes Behavioral Economics course as a core program requirement and moves it to recommended electives
 - iv. 22D Modification to Mathematics requirements of the BSc in Mathematics Education – proposal removes two required courses and moves them to recommended electives as a response to new mathematics standards of the NCTM for Secondary Mathematics Teacher Preparation Program
 - v. 22F Additional Elective Courses in Gender & Sexuality Studies Minor – proposal adds existing courses to the list of elective courses in the program
 - vi. 22E Updating Title and Course / Catalog Description for Theater THE 2380 Play Analysis: Texts and Contexts – proposal updates course and catalog description
 - vii. Modification to Proposal Classification Chart
 - b. Other Items for College Council Meeting Agenda
 - i. Voting on auxiliary committees
 1. Appeals Committee for Resolution of Student Complaints about Faculty in Academic Settings
Faculty nominated:
 - Sanjoy Chakraborty (Biology)
 - Suzanne Miller (English)
 - John McCullough (Entertainment Technology)All the above members were approved unanimously
 2. College Association
Faculty nominated:
 - Ivan Guzman (Construction Management & Civil Engineering Technology)
 - Anthony Sena (Restorative Dentistry)
 - Daniel Wong (Communication Design)
 - Rosa Abreu (Hospitality Management)
 - Robert Polchinski (Environmental Control Technology)All the above members were approved unanimously

3. Auxiliary Enterprise Corporation

Faculty nominated:

- John McCullough (Entertainment Technology)
- Anne Marie Sowder (Construction Management & Civil Engineering Technology)
- Renata Budny (Restorative Dentistry)
- German Kolmakov (Physics)

All the above members were approved unanimously

4. Advisory Committee on Campus Safety

Faculty nominated:

- Susan Davide (Health Sciences)
- Nora Almeida (Library)
- Chen Xu (Computer Engineering Technology)
- Yu-Wen Chen (Computer Systems Technology)
- Peter Parides (Social Science)
- Tanya Goetz (Communication Design)

All the above members were approved unanimously

3. Provost's Report

- week of preparation for advisement starts
- registration week starts in two weeks
- comprehensive advisement training for faculty
- Teacher Recognition Award has been revitalized
- Congratulations to AP Reginald Blake for being reward Robin Hood Foundation grant of \$750k to support our students; grant is also under the leadership from Prof. Diana Samaroo, Prof. Hamidera Norouzi, and others
- Congratulations to Prof. Gaffar Gailani for being selected for 2.5-year NASA MSI Academic Interchange fellowship
- Congratulations to Prof. Viviana Acquaviva for being selected for the Simons Foundation 1-year PIVOT Fellowship
- Thank you to the Office of Sponsored Programs for help to faculty in developing their successful applications

4. Faculty Senate Update (Professor Coughlin)

- two Faculty Senate meetings this semester so far did not meet quorum, therefore they were only informational
- in the first of the two meetings Chancellor reported on how \$40 million of one-time State money was spent, that included: \$21 million on enrollment and retention issues, \$3 million on transfer issues, \$5 million on on-line teaching
- in the second meeting CUNY Provost, in reply to a question, said that there is no modality mix (70/30) being required from the CUNY level and is entirely up to the colleges now; on-line programming was identified as one of the priorities
- in the next meeting Executive Committee will meet with associate vice Chancellor who is heading up the development of online initiatives
- lower enrollment is acknowledged by the University as being a significant problem
- it was announced in the Budget Advisory Committee meeting that tuition for academic year of 2021-2022 was \$131 million below the target of \$750 million (due to combination of enrollment decline and decrease in tuition collection)
- any faculty is welcome to become member of any of the University's Senate committees

5. President's Report and Administrative Updates

- one of the committees that University recently formed is Office of Transformation that hired consultants; one of these consultants evaluated associate degree (AAS) programs, however the report is not being accurate in reflecting the reality of our college graduates' outcomes
- Citytech is proposing to add new programs, e.g., associate degree in Biotechnology in response to strong trend in the industry
- CUNY lost 51,000 students in the last 3 years
- Citytech saw almost 18% freshmen enrollment increase in the Fall
- City has announced 3% cuts to the University's community colleges budgets this year and additional 4.75% next year
- Citytech lost almost 4,000 students over the last 3.5 years
- Citytech needs to stay focused on student retention
- Citytech has some stimulus money left and one of the initiatives is to put that money in our technology needs, for example upgrades to the facilities
- NYC Comptroller has recently visited Citytech and was impressed with our programs that ensure creating new workforce

6. Good and Welfare

- the Humanities Department organizes Works in the Works presentation by Prof. Javiela Evangelista on Statelessness in Western Hemisphere (November 15th at 1 PM)
- two weeks ago Construction Management & Civil Engineering department organized career week and career fair, that was extremely successful

7. Meeting adjourned at 2:13 PM

Next Standing Committee meeting: November 8, 2022

Next College Council general meeting: November 29, 2022