# LaGuardia Community College Minutes of the College Senate Meeting

January 27, 2016 E501

# **Present and Voting:**

Loretta Capuano-Vella-Chairperson (CHAIR, At-Large Instructional), Jay Choudhury (SGA President), Daniel Diaz (Student Affairs), Francine Egger-Sider (Faculty Council), Monika Ekiert (Education and Language Acquisition), Ana Lucia Fuentes (Natural Sciences), William Fulton (Humanities), Diane Gordon Conyers (Library), Natalie Havlin (At-Large Instructional), Yunxi Hu (Student), Sheikh Islam (Student), Reem Jaafar (At-Large Instructional), André Keeton (SECRETARY, Social Science), Theresa Licari (Health Science), Evelyn Lowmark (Administration), Allia Matta (English), Michael Philogene (Business & Technology), Eneida Rivas (Institutional Advancement), Ayana Simmons (Student), Lynne Teplin (Counseling), Jenny Zhu (Information Technology)

## **Guest Members:**

Eleonora Chorekchan (MEC) Hugo Fernandez (Humanities)

Meeting called to order at 2:40p.m. by Loretta Capuano-Vella, Chairperson

I. APPROVAL OF MINUTES-January 6, 2016 Meeting of the Senate.

Senator Eneida Rivas made a motion to approve the minutes from Jan. 6, 2016; 2nd by Senator Evelyn Lowmark:

- (i) Yea-23; No-0; Abstention-0
- (ii) MINUTES APPROVED

#### II. CURRICULUM

Senator Lynn Teplin made a motion to approve the Curriculum (Consent Calendar); 2nd by Senator Patricia Sokolski:

- (i) Yea-24; No-0; Abstention-0
- (ii) MINUTES APPROVED
- III. Presentation on Experiential Learning- Ann Feibel, Associate Dean Academic Affairs; David Myer, Academic Affairs; Bernard Polnariev, Academic Affairs
  - a. Dean Ann Feibel and her colleagues in Academic Affairs testified before the Senate on Academic Affairs' hope to establish a core committee to implement experiential learning by program across the LaGuardia campus.
  - b. Dean Feibel and colleagues testified concerning the desire of some of the Faculty's to connect non-internship projects/initiatives with the classroom.

c. Academic Affairs testified that the goal of the core committee will be to integrate experiential programs for the purpose of assessing the reliability and validity of the programmatic experiential programs being developed and currently running. The core committee will also consist of one (1) member of the Senate.

### IV. CHAIRPERSON'S REPORT

a. The Chairperson announced the retirement of Senator Lynn Teplin. The Chairperson and the Senate thanked Senator Teplin for her many years of service to the Senate and her devotion to LaGuardia and its students. The Chair announced, and the membership concurred, that Senator Teplin's invaluable service will be greatly missed.

#### V. INFORMATIONAL ITEMS

- a. The Chairperson announced that the Senate Conference on Governance is tentatively scheduled for Oct. 26, 2016 in the Little Theater.
- b. Senator Eneida Rivas announced a voter registration "teach-in" for February 17, 2016 from 2-4 p.m. The "teach-in" strives to promote Faculty and student engagement.

## VI. UPDATE ON COMMITTEES

- a. Senator Eneida Rivas made a motion to nominate Senator William Fulton as Chair of the Committee on Committees; 2nd by Senator Ana Lucia Fuentes:
  - 1. Senator William Fulton was elected by acclamation.
    - (i) Current Members:
      - i. William Fulton, Chair
      - ii. Loretta Capuano-Vella
      - iii. Andre Keeton
- b. Election of Ad-Hoc Committee on Business and Budget
  - (i) Current Members:
    - i. The Senate Executive Committee
    - ii. Senator Evelyn Lowmark
- c. Ad-Hoc Committee on Transfer
  - a. Senator Natalie Havlin, Chair, presented the Senate with a proposal to hold a series of departmental workshops/trainings on transfer. The workshops would inform academic faculty across the LaGuardia campus of the intricacies and complexities of transfer across CUNY and particularly the impact of transfer policy on LaGuardia students.

VII. OLD BUSINESS a. NONE

VIII. NEW BUSINESS a.NONE

IX. ADJOURNMENT a. Adjournment, 4:15P

Respectfully submitted,

André Keeton

College Senate Secretary &

Senator, Social Science Department