## BROOKLYN COLLEGE OF THE CITY UNIVERSITY OF NEW YORK FACULTY COUNCIL September 10, 2019

(6558) Call to order

The first meeting of Faculty Council for the 2019-2020 academic year was called to order at 3:30 pm in the Woody Tanger Auditorium by Professor Langsam (CISC).

(6559) Roll call

The roll call was taken at the door. Department Chairs and Representatives: Fraser (Africana), Pham (Bus), Ibrahim (History), Kingan (Math), Ortiz-Minaya (PRLS); were absent (-5); Kellogg (Classics), Liu (Bus), Muth & Zeng (Nat. & Beh Sci.) were excused (-4); Administrators: Whatley, Gold & Ali were also absent and excused. All other members were present

(6560) Minutes of May 14, 2019

The minutes of May 14, 2019 were passed unanimously.

(6561) Steering Committee

Professor Langsam welcomed returning and new members of Faculty Council. He thanked all for serving as members, discussed faculty governance at Brooklyn College, and reminded members that meetings of Faculty Council abide by *Robert's Rules of Order* and New York State Open Meetings Law.

An election was held for a vacancy on the Committee for Committees. Professors Estey (POLS) and Regaldo (LIBR) were nominated, and Professor Estey was elected with a vote of 50 and 44, respectively.

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Communications
from the
Administration

President Anderson welcomed members of Faculty Council. She discussed the following: the positive results of the Middle States accreditation process, the completion of the first year of the Strategic Plan, new staffing at CUNY Central, changes in staff at Brooklyn College, and current enrollment trends. She stated that Brooklyn College is awaiting budget details and described efforts to enhance political advocacy in Albany and fundraising. She reported on the high *US News and World Report* rankings that Brooklyn College received for ethnic diversity, low debt upon graduation, and social mobility. She announced implicit bias training and the new Immigrant Student Success Office, led by Director Perez. She stated that, during the second year of the Strategic Plan, the focus will be on student success, retention, and graduation. A lively discussion followed.

Provost Lopes welcomed members of Faculty Council She announced new members of the academic administration, including

Interim Associate Dean for the School of Business Queneau, Interim Associate Dean of the School of Education Scharrón Del Río, Associate Provost for Intuitional Effectiveness Cumming, Research Integrity Officer Vitale, and Director of the Center for Teaching and Learning Fox. She discussed the development of a five-year academic plan and the engagement of Deans with the revitalization of graduate enrollment. She announced her open office hours for the semester.

(6563) Committee on Committees Professor Shortell (SOC) presented a slate of nominations for Faculty Council committees with changes. The slate was approved with a vote of 86 yays, 1 nay, and 1 abstention.

(6564) Liaison with the University Faculty Senate Professor Hainline (PSYC) discussed the analysis of differential funding by FTE at schools similar to CUNY, which was conducted by the budget advisory committee. She urged Faculty Council members to read the minutes of the UFS.

(6565) Degree Lists Degree Lists 2020/1 & 2 passed with a vote of 87 yays, 1 nay, and 0 abstentions.

(6566) Report of Standing Committees Committee on General Education: Professor Troyansky (HIST) announced deadlines for the submission of General Education courses.

Committee on Graduate Curriculum & Degree Requirements: Professor Wills (HIST) presented the annual report, which was accepted

(6567) Old Business There was no old business.

(6568) New Business Professor Shortell presented the "Resolution Concerning 15 Credits per Semester Student Workload," which passed with a vote of 84 yeas, 2 nays, and 1 abstention.

(6569) Adjournment The meeting was adjourned at 4:35 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

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Chair Secretary