



Borough of Manhattan Community College
The City University of New York
Academic Senate

Minutes
May 24th, 2017

Room N451 immediately following College Council

- I. CALL TO ORDER
- II. ATTENDANCE: A quorum was achieved. The following senators were absent: Nur Ahamed, Joao Bila, Alejandro Binilla-Manjarrez, Peter Bratsis, Horace Brockington, Hector Castellanos, Yan Chen, Mahamadou Diawara, Kaoutar Elharchaoui, Judy Eng, Erik Freas, Toby Ginsberg, Joyce Harte, Robin Isserles, Barbara Lawrence, Jae Ki Lee, Ousmane Mbodj, Michelle Murillo, Silvia Roig, Jonathan Ruiz, Jason Ruiz Quintero, Jason Silva, Brett Simms, George Stevenson, Chiaki Yanagisawa, Hasan Yumak, Ibrahim Zavery
- III. APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES: Minutes from 4.26.2017 were unanimously approved.
- IV. STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS FROM REPRESENTATIVES:
 - a. CURRICULUM COMMITTEE – The following items were unanimously approved by the Academic Senate:
 - i. **Curriculum Revision: Writing and Literature**
 - ii. **Curriculum Revision: School Health Education**
 - iii. **Curriculum Revision: Psychology**
 - iv. **Curriculum Revision: Gerontology**
 - v. **Curriculum Revision: Modern Languages**
 1. Curriculum Revision: FRN 311 number change to FRN 204
 2. Curriculum Revision: SPN 311 number change to SPN 204
 3. Curriculum Revision: ITL 311 number change to ITL 204
 4. Curriculum Revision: add LAT 124 as elective
 5. Curriculum Revision: add LAT 150 as elective
 - vi. **New Course: ECO 240 Behavioral Economics**
 - vii. **New Course: ECO 245 Competition and Strategy**
 - viii. **Curriculum Revision: Economics**

- ix. **New Curriculum: Linguistics and Literacy**
 - 1. New Course: LIN 130 Sounds of English
 - 2. New Course: LIN 200 Language Acquisition
 - 3. New Course: LIN 210 Foundations of Bilingualism
 - 4. New Course: LIN 220 Language Teaching Practices
 - 5. New Course: ACR 250 Issues in Literacy & Language Development
 - 6. New Course: LIN 240 Language and Power

- x. **New Curriculum: Financial Management**

- xi. **New Curriculum: Digital Marketing**
 - 1. New Course: MAR 230 Essentials of Public Relations
 - 2. New Course: MAR 330 Marketing Research & Analytics
 - 3. New Course: MAR 340 Digital Marketing & Analytics
 - 4. New Course: BUS 110.5 Business Law for Digital Media

- xii. **Course Revision:** for the **Following Modern Languages Courses:** ARB 105, ARB 106, ASL 105, ASL 106, CHI 105, CHI 106, FRN 105, FRN 106, ITL 105, ITL 106, SPN 105, SPN 106, SPN 107

- xiii. **Pathways Course: AFN/HIS 122 Africa 1500 to Present**

- xiv. **Pathways Course: LAT/HIS 130 History of Latin America**

- xv. **Pathways Course: POL 111 Political Economy of Technoscience**

- xvi. **New Course: MAT 161.5 Mathematics Literacy and Quantitative Reasoning**

- b. **FACULTY DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE:**
 - i. Year-end report submitted.

- c. **INSTRUCTION COMMITTEE:**
 - i. Submitted questions for student evaluations for online/ hybrid courses
 - ii. Suggested four best practice statements for peer evaluations
 - iii. Both will be in final report

- d. **ACADEMIC STANDING COMMITTEE:**
 - i. Year-end report submitted.
 - ii. Motion was made that dismissed students who achieve good standing by earned grades in summer or winter should not be required to file an appeal. Motion unanimously approved.

- e. **COMMITTEE ON STUDENT AFFAIRS**
 - i. Continues to work with student affairs to recruit faculty mentors for first generation students
 - ii. Met with N. Leach from Office of Accessibility. Office representatives will present at Senate next semester.

- f. ADMISSIONS COMMITTEE:
 - i. Year-end report submitted

- g. ACADEMIC FREEDOM:
 - i. Nothing to report

V. CHAIR'S REPORT

- a. New CUNY policy (see below)
 - i. Motion: Accept policy as presented with amendments below, with view to continued discussion in the next AS session (August 30th 2017, special session, 2pm, N451).
 - ii. Motion unanimously approved.

VI. OLD BUSINESS

VII. NEW BUSINESS

VIII. ADJOURNMENT: 3.24pm

New CUNY Policy:

The grade of "P" or "NC" may be given to **all** students. If A+ through D- grade is earned, the student will receive a grade of 'P' and **credit for the course with no impact on GPA**. If an F grade is earned, the student will receive a grade of NC which does not affect the GPA. *Colleges may place additional restrictions on the use of this option which must be clearly stated in their bulletin and on their website.*

A college **may choose** to offer a First Year Freshman Forgiveness policy. If the student passes the course, they will receive the grade earned which will carry the designated GPA. If the student fails the course, the grade will be administratively converted to NC. This policy is limited to first year Freshman as defined by the college.

The option must be requested **by the student** via an agreement with the Office of the Registrar **by the withdrawal deadline**.

Alam/Karrin/AS Exec suggestions:

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- A grade of NC can be assigned to a **first-year freshman** who has completed a course with an F grade given that none of those courses are in their major on file.
- A grade of P can be assigned to a **first-year freshman** who has completed a course with a passing grade of C- through D- given that none of those courses are in their major on file. The maximum number of P cannot exceed 2.
- **First-year freshmen** who has completed a course with a passing grade of A through C, will receive the grade earned which will carry the designated GPA.
- A grade of NC can also be assigned to a Nursing course one time only during the 2nd-4th clinical semesters, when a student has earned a grade lower than C.

First year freshmen definition: Students who have not attended a post-secondary institution after graduating from high school and have continuous enrollment at BMCC for one full year (fall, winter, spring and summer).

In order to receive P or NC grade, a student needs to continue attending the class, complete all assignments, and take the final exam.