

MINUTES

Meeting of the Hunter College Senate

6 November 2019

The 632nd meeting of the Hunter College Senate convened at 3:46 PM in HW room 714.

Presiding: Laura S. Keating, Chair

Attendance: The elected members of the Senate with the exception of those marked absent in Appendix I.

Alternate Senators were formally seated in accordance with the procedures approved by the Senate, and clickers were distributed to them.

Minutes The minutes of 3 April were approved as revised. The minutes of 8 May were approved with two corrections.

**Report by the
Administrative
Committee:**

- a) **Election of Nominees of the Search Committee for Dean of the School of Nursing**

NOMINEES FOR CHAIR PANEL:

Manoj Pardasani, Associate Provost

It was moved that the Secretary be instructed to cast a single ballot in favor of the nominee for Chair Panel. The motion carried by voice vote without dissent.

NOMINEES FOR MEMBER PANEL:

STUDENTS (6)

Kris-Angelo Natividad
Niamh Crowley
Amanda Diglio
Donovan Cameron

It was moved that the Secretary be instructed to cast a single ballot in favor of the nominees for Chair Panel. The motion carried by voice vote without dissent.

FACULTY (8)

Tellers were appointed and written ballots were distributed for the election of eight faculty members for the Panel of the Search for the Dean of the School of Nursing. Electronic ballots were sent to the remote locations. Tallies of the vote counts are below:

45 Prof. Abigail Kotowski
47 Prof. Elizabeth Capezuti
42 Prof. Judith Aponte
40 Prof. Lorie Goshin
43 Prof. Jin Young Seo
41 Prof. Steve Baumann
36 Prof. Tara Heagele
38 Prof. Elsie Jolade
37 Prof. Elizabeth Cohn

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57 b) **Report of Work on Resolutions on the Governance of Programs and Interdisciplinary**
58 **Structures**

59 Professor Keating gave an update on the Administrative Committee's work on the Resolutions
60 on the Governance of Programs and Interdisciplinary Structures.
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62 **Committee**
63 **Report**

64 **Undergraduate Academic Requirements Committee**

65 Professor Keating called on Professor Eckhard Kuhn-Osius, Chair of the Undergraduate Academic
66 Requirements Committee to present a report. Professor Kuhn-Osius said the following:

67 "This is going to be a brief report. We do not have anything that we can vote on today but I just wanted
68 to let you know what we are working on. The big topic right now is transfer issues, which is a topic
69 university wide. We're trying to clarify the policies, rules and regulations. For example, what happens if
70 a student fails to report all the academic work done before being accepted to Hunter, and the like. On one
71 hand, we want to have very clear rules, on the other hand, we are not a penal institution. So, we don't
72 want to hit people too hard. There is also a question of being appealing to transfers. To give every transfer
73 student 20 pages of single space text to read before they can apply is somewhat counterproductive. Also,
74 things have popped up, for example there are always unintended consequences. For example, we no longer
75 have major prerequisites; we now only have courses required for the major. But at the same time we have
76 a rule that 50% of the courses for the major should be taken at Hunter. Now, if you have an 80-credit
77 major that would theoretically mean that a student would have to take at least 40 credits here, which really
78 makes no sense because the previous prerequisites could be taken anywhere. We are going to have to
79 discuss that. There are obviously various ways of dealing with the issue. We can either split hairs and
80 distinguish between courses required for the major and major courses, or we could simply establish or
81 leave it up to the departments to establish how many of their courses/credits have to be taken in residence.
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83 "Another issue that we are beginning to discuss is credits for education in the military services. CUNY
84 wants to encourage us to give them, but we are going to look at the courses that so far exist and see if they
85 do indeed fit in some way what we do at Hunter. There are some courses that will not work, for example
86 PE for basic training. Since we don't have PE anymore, that option is out. However, legal or paralegal
87 studies courses might be acceptable to some departments such as Political Science, but one has to be very
88 careful in that because the army has its own language. If someone is a linguist in the army, they may not
89 know anything about linguistics.
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91 "Another topic, which is also being discussed in the Undergraduate Course of Study Committee but I
92 think UARC, in some ways, is a better place for it, is the issue of 'double dipping' for double-majors. This
93 first came up in Economics and Accounting where the programs are largely congruent, and if a student
94 takes a few more courses, they could double major if we allow it. So far, the grapevine had it, that this
95 was a state law. It appears not to be a state regulation but it is Hunter's own. We are going to have to
96 discuss and ask departments what they want to do about it because it seems a little counterintuitive and
97 not really nice if people want to double major in two closely related fields and we say "No, you cannot
98 count anything towards the second major." We might ask departments to establish their own maximum
99 number of double dipping courses allowed. That is what we have been discussing slowly. It is slow going,
100 and as Max Weber [corrected from "Bismarck"] once said "Doing politics is like slowly drilling holes
101 through very hard logs."
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114 **New Business Nominating Committee**

115 Professor Keating presented a report on behalf of the Nominating Committee.
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117 The Nominating Committee is submitting the following nominations for seats currently vacant on
118 Senate Committees:
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- 120 1. **COMMITTEE ON THE BUDGET**
121 Faculty from Humanities & Arts: Angela Reyes (English)
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- 123 2. **COMMITTEE ON EVALUATION OF TEACHING**
124 Faculty: Nicki Silberman (Physical
125 Therapy)
- 126 3. **COMMITTEE ON CHARTER REVIEW**
127 Faculty Alternates: Avi Liveson (Economics)
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- 129 4. **COMMITTEE ON COMPUTING & TECHNOLOGY**
130 Ex-Officio Staff: Kenny Hirschmann (Frankfort
131 Center for Learning and
132 Scholarly Technologies)
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- 134 5. **COMMITTEE ON ACADEMIC ASSESSMENT AND EVALUATION**
135 Faculty from Humanities & Arts: Catherine Green (Dance)
136 Faculty A&S At-Large: Ian Blecher (Philosophy)
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- 138 6. **COMMITTEE ON GENERAL EDUCATION**
139 Faculty from Social Sciences: Mark Halling (Sociology)
140 Faculty At-large from Arts & Sciences: Martin Lucas (Film & Media)
141 Faculty At-large from Arts & Sciences: Mark Bobrow (English)
142 Faculty At-large from Arts & Sciences: Lazaro Lima (AFPRL)
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- 145 7. **GENERAL EDUCATION REQUIREMENTS APPEALS COMMITTEE**
146 Faculty: Gabriela Smeureanu
147 (Chemistry)
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149 It was moved that the Secretary be instructed to cast a single ballot in favor of the nominees. The motion
150 carried by voice vote without dissent
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153 The meeting was adjourned at 4:23 PM.
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155 Respectfully submitted,
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158 Sarah Jeninsky
159 Secretary

APPENDIX I

The following attendance was noted from the meeting

(A) =Alternate, A=Attended, X=Absent, E=Excused

Faculty	Name	Attendance	Department	Name	Attendance
AFPRL	Anthony Browne	A	Mathematics & Statistics	Bill Williams	X
	Milagros Denis-Rosario	(A) A			0
	Lázaro Lima*	(A) X			
Anthropology	Jackie Brown	A	Medical Laboratory Sciences	Patrick Burke	(A) A
	David Hodges	(A) A		Barry Cherkas	(A) A
	Milena Shattuck	(A) A		Abigail Morales	E
Art & Art History	Harper Montgomery	A	Music	Chad Euler	(A) X
	Thomas Weaver	A		Muktar Mahajan	(A) X
	Emily Braun	(A) X		Jewel Thompson	A
Biological Sciences	A. K. Burns	(A) X	School of Nursing	Michele Cabrini	(A) A
	Derrick Brazill	X			(A)
	Shirley Raps	A			0
Chemistry	Paul Feinstein	(A) X	Philosophy	Cheryl Zauderer	A
	Maria Pereira	(A) X		Jin Young Seo	A
	Gabriela Smeureanu	A		So-Hyun Park	(A) X
Classical & Oriental Studies	Nancy Greenbaum	(A) A	Physics & Astronomy	Laura Keating	A
	Manashi Chatterjee	(A) X		Frank Kirkland	(A) A
	David Petrain	X		Omar Dahbour	(A) A
Computer Science	Leah Garrett	(A) A	Political Science	Kelle Cruz	X
	Lawrence Kowerski	(A) A			(A) X
	Anita Raja	A			(A) X
Curriculum & Teaching	Felisa Vazquez-Abad	(A) A	Psychology	John Wallach	A
	Lacey Peters	A		Sanford Schram	(A) X
	Karen Koellner	A		Michael Lee	(A) A
Dance	Debbie Sonu	(A) X	Physical Therapy	Roseann Flores	A
	Christine Rosalia	A		Jonathon Rendina	X
	Kathleen Isaac	X		Peter Moller	(A) X
Economics	Lori Brungard	(A) X	Romance Languages	Chris Braun	(A) X
	Randall Filer	X		Nicki Silberman	A
	John Quiang Li	X		Thomas Holland	(A) X
Educational Foundations & Cou	Tim Goodspeed	(A) X	School of Social Work		(A) X
	Avi Liveson	(A) X		Paolo Fasoli	A
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English	John Ranellucci	(A) X	Sociology		(A)
	Amanda Crowell	(A) X		Alexis Jemal	A
	Sarah Chinn	A		Anna Ortega-William	X
Film & Media Studies	Amy Robbins	A	Special Education	Jonathan Prince	(A) X
	Chong Chon-Smith	A		Ilze Earner	(A) X
	Janet Neary	(A) A		Mark Halling	A
Geography	Tami Gold	X	Speech-Language Pathology and Audiolo	Mike Benediktsson	(A) X
	Martin Lucas	(A) X		Michaela Soyer	(A) X
	Larry Shore	(A) A		Virginia Gryta	A
German	Ines Miyares	A	Theatre	Kristen Hodnett	(A) A
	Shipeng Sun	(A) A		Sari Gupta	(A) X
		(A)		Donald Vogel	X
History	Elke Nicolai	X	Urban Policy and Planning	Nancy Eng	(A) X
	Eckhard Kuhn-Osius	(A) X		JungMoon Hyun	(A) X
	Lisa Marie Anderson	(A) A		Louisa Thompson	A
Library	Eduardo Contreras	A	School of Urban Public Health	Jonathan Kalb	X
	Jill Rosenthal	0 (A) X		Claudia Orenstein	(A) X
	Sarah Ward	A		Lily Baum Pollans	A
Women & Gender Studies	Adina Milliken	X	Women & Gender Studies	Victoria Johnson	(A) X
	Mee' Len Hom	(A) A		Matthew Lasner	(A) X
		(A)		Phil Alcades	A
			Susan Cardenas	(A) X	
			Victoria Fischer	(A) X	
			Jennifer Gaboury	A	
			Catherine Raissiguier	(A) A	
			Rupal Oza	(A) X	

Students

Joelle Tirado	X
Pooja Chopra	X
Richard Lu	X
Alexa Michel	A
Brian Sullivan	A
Mia Becewa	X
Saif Zihiri	X
Riana Khan	X
Kendra Cornelis	X
Noam Sohn	X
Nafeeza Ali	A
YanHong Li	X
Serenity Colon	X
Sohail Khan	X
Shannon O'Rourke	X
Zaiba Iqbal	X
Hardik Bhaskar	X
Leonid Prog	X
Linda Yohannes	X
Anam Khalid	X
Bryan Terry	X
Michael Galka-Giaquinto	X
Andrew Shkreli	X
Jasmine Azeharie	X
Dorothy Slater	A
Ariela Radonic	X
Luisais Taveras	X
Jeanine Hampton	X
Mila Adelman	X
Ariel Ortega	A
Milana Khaitova	X
Chaya Dickel	X
Naho Hirohata	X
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Igal Sultanov	X
Brian Sullivan	X
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Chelsea Yu	A
Tahseen Chowdhury	X
Harrison Cade	A
Priyal Thakkar	X

At-Large, Lecturers and Part-Time Faculty

Student Services	Kevin Nesbitt	A
	Luis Roldan	(A) A
Library	Jocelyn Berger-Barera	A
Library	Tony Doyle	A
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Medical Lab Science	Hongxing Li	A
Religion	Barbara Sproul	X
THHP	Jerry Press	X
Mathematics & Statistics	Sandra Clarkson	A
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Educational Foundations	Jeanne Weiler	A
THHP	Sarah Jeninsky	A
Psychology		0
Ex-Officio		
President, USG	Kamalpreet Kaur	X
Vice President, Graduate Student Association	Kamalpreet Kaur	X
President Alumni Association	Kim Hafner	X
President, HEO Forum	Denise Lucena-Jerez	A
President, CLT Council	Amy Jeu	X
ADMINISTRATION		
Senators:		
HEO/CLA Representative	Brian Buckwald	E
Vice President for Student Affairs	Eija Ayravainen	A
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Provost	Lon Kaufman	A
Dean, School of Arts & Sciences	Andrew Polsky	A
Alternate Senators (3):		
Dean of Education	Michael Middleton	A
General Counsel & Dean of Faculty	Carol Robles-Román	A
School of Nursing	Gail McCain	A