Executive Committee Minutes

2 April 2015, 2:00 pm Faculty Senate Office

Present: Professors Jeruzalmi (chair), Bengoa, Gallagher, Gutman, Handy, Hubbard, Miller, Moshary

- I. The committee approved the minutes of 2 April 2015 by acclamation.
- II. Chair's Report
 - A. Update on the NYS budget.
 - B. The chair and PSC-CUNY Chapter Chair Alan Feigenberg met with the Association of College and University Educators, a for-profit organization selling adjunct training materials, in order to discuss adjuncts being compensated to test materials that the company will eventually sell for profit. The company has connections to the CUNY Board of Trustees. The committee raised the question of how these materials fit in with our teaching. No answer is available at this time.
 - C. Director of Public Safety Pat Morena has cancelled his appearance at Senate.
 - D. The results of the FOIL request regarding the Denise Dyce report were posted to Dropbox. The documents are available, in the Senate office, to all faculty.
 - E. The chair asked the committee to determine if Senate should provide a response to the Chancellor's solicitation of feedback regarding Pathways. Prof. Miller agreed to draft a resolution and circulate it to the committee.
 - F. The chair raised the matter of the Ombuds resolution. Professor Gallagher explained that the current ombuds office faces problems with representation: the office does not represent other union-represented staff. There are problems with the student ombuds. Part of a staff person is required just to handle problems with CUNYFirst.
- III. Agenda for plenary
 - A. Grading.
 - B. David Robinson, new Vice President for Facilities.
 - C. The committee decided to postpone Celia Lloyd and Jay Edelman and possibly to fall in favor of provost.
 - D. The provost wants to talk to the Senate about the NYS budget and its implications.
 - E. Vote on phase 2 of the Bylaws.
 - F. Possible Senate Affairs Committee resolution about thresholds for numbers of representatives per department.

- IV. The committee discussed the need for the Senate Affairs Committee to finalize the census of departments for representation.
- V. The Student Affairs Committee is considering concerns about the temporary closing of the on-campus daycare center and about protocols for textbook selection.
- VI. Professor Moshary inquired about whether the Medical School Committee remains active.

Respectfully submitted,

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