

## Faculty Senate Minutes #395

October 17, 2012

1:40 PM

Room 9.64 NB

**Present (33):** Chevy Alford, Andrea Balis, Ned Benton, Adam Berlin, James Cauthen, Kashka Celinska, Elise Champeil, Demi Cheng, Janice Johnson-Dias, Janice Dunham, Peggy Escher, Terry Furst, Maki Haberfeld, Jay Hamilton, Karen Kaplowitz, Maria Kiriakova, Tom Kucharski, Anru Lee, Ma'at Lewis, Cyriaco Lopes, Yue Ma, Vincent Maiorino, Roger McDonald, Jean Mills, Brian Montes, Elvin Montgomery, David Munns, Melinda Powers, Raul Romero, Francis Sheehan, Staci Strobl, Shonna Trinch, Katherine Wylie-Marques

**Absent (15):** Erica Burleigh, Lior Gideon, Maria Grewe, Veronica Hendrick, Tim Horohoe, Charles Jennings, Shaobai Kan, Kwando Kinshasa, Richard Li, Amie Macdonald, Evan Mandery, Michael Maxfield, Richard Ocejó, Nick Petraco, Manouska Saint Gilles

**Guests:** Lauren Paradis, Julie Viollaz

### Agenda

1. Adoption of the agenda
2. Announcements & Reports
3. Adoption of Minutes #394 of the Thursday, October 4, meeting
4. Review of the agenda of the October 18 meeting of the College Council
5. Proposed Resolution on Online Education and Governance: Executive Committee
6. Oral reports about the preliminary draft chapters of the Middle States Self-Study Report at <http://johnjay.jjay.cuny.edu/mstates/reaccreditation.asp>

1. Adoption of the agenda. Approved
2. Announcements & Reports. Noted
3. Adoption of Minutes #394 of the Thursday, October 4, meeting. Approved.
4. Review of the agenda of the October 18 meeting of the College Council. Noted

**5. Proposed Resolution on Online Education and Governance: Executive Committee [Attachment A].** Approved.

**6. Oral reports about the preliminary draft chapters of the Middle States Self-Study Report** at : <http://johnjay.ijay.cuny.edu/mstates/reaccreditation.asp>

Reports were provided about Chapters 1 through 5 of the Middle States Self Study; these oral reports comprised comments about ways to improve chapters, errors of fact, suggestions, and questions, all of which are to be reviewed by the Middle States Steering Committee Co-Chairs and Work Study Chairs. Because of lack of sufficient time for reports beyond Chapter 5, the Senate agreed the reports about the remaining chapters would be given at the next Senate meeting.

The meeting was adjourned at 3:15 pm.

Submitted by  
The Executive Committee

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## ATTACHMENT A

### Resolution on Online Education and Governance

#### Proposed by the Faculty Senate Executive Committee

Whereas, task forces and committees have been constituted to make recommendations for distance education programs and courses in 2008 and 2010, but the recommendations of these studies have not been adopted as academic policy through academic governance processes;

Whereas, as a result no policy framework is in place for the development and implementation of distance education courses and programs;

Whereas, in 2012 the Provost appointed a Distance Education Policy Committee to propose college-wide policies on distance education;

Whereas, the policies recommended by this committee are to be submitted to UCASC, CGS for review and then to the College Council for adoption;

Whereas, the Senate has consistently supported the development of a college-wide policy framework for distance education enacted as college policy;

Whereas, the Policy Committee has scheduled itself to provide the policy recommendations by the end of the Fall 2012 semester;

Therefore, it is the sense of the Faculty Senate that the College Council defer consideration of any distance education programs and NYSED online program registration applications until the College Council has approved and adopted the policies applicable to the programs being proposed.

**Rationale:** This is a sense-of-the-Senate resolution, not an action item for the College Council. The resolution encourages the College Council to defer consideration of new distance education programs and registration documents until the distance education policies are adopted. By approving the policies first, the College Council avoids the appearance of adopting program proposals and subsequently adopting policies that conflict with features of the program proposals just adopted. Since the recommendations are to be forthcoming soon, the delay involved would be minimal.