

**Bergen
Community
College
Faculty Senate**

Chairperson: Dr. Alan Kaufman
Vice Chairperson: Professor Brian Cordell
Secretary: Professor Joan Cohen
Treasurer: Dr. Tobyn De Marco

FACULTY SENATE MINUTES
Tuesday, March 6, 2018
Room S-138, 3:50

- I. REVIEW OF MINUTES, February 6, 2019** — The minutes were accepted with the proviso that some changes would be made per requests of Mark Wiener and Sara Mastellone.

II. REPORT ON CURRICULUM & RESOLUTIONS

The following curriculum items from the February 6, 2018 meeting have been approved by the President

108-17/18	Course Addition	HRM-2XX	Confectionery Arts
109-17/18	Course Addition	HRM-2XX	Artisan Bread Production
110-17/18	Course Addition	HRM-2XX	Specialty Cakes
111-17/18	Course Addition	HRM-2XX	American Regional Cuisine
112-17/18	Curriculum Modification	AAS.BT.HR.HOSP	AAS HOTEL RESTAURANT HOSPITALITY MANAGEMENT

As a packet

OLD BUSINESS

102-17/18	Curriculum Deletion	AAS.NURS.MOBLEVE	AAS NURSING MOBILE EVE
103-17/18	Curriculum Deletion	AAS.NURS.MOBLDAY	AAS NURSING MOBILE DAY
104-17/18	Curriculum Deletion	AAS.NURS.WE	AAS NURSING WEEKEND

The following resolutions passed by the Senate have been forwarded to the President

113-17/18 Agreement of Degree Requirements Process

114-17/18 Transcript Notations

115-17/18 Statement on Religious Observance

III. CHAIRPERSON'S REPORT

Dr. Kaufman asked for volunteers to assist in planning the Staff Senate picnic.

Kaufman called for volunteers to serve on a Faculty Senate sub-committee to work on making revisions to the Success 101 course.

Noting that he had recently read some articles about assessment, arguing that there is no evidence to show that learning-outcomes assessment leads to improvement by students in their coursework, Kaufman talked about the subject of assessment. He pointed to recent articles in the "Chronicle of Higher Education" and the New York "Times" pointing out that there are critics of its effectiveness. He further indicated that, according to what he had read, the rise of learning-outcomes assessment has coincided with the expansion of adjunct faculty, the growth of dual-enrollment programs, and the proliferation in the numbers of administrators being hired at colleges—all of which are taking place at BCC. While providing this information, Kaufman also noted that he was not stating that we not do assessment at Bergen; no college will receive accreditation from Middle States and other accrediting agencies that do not engage in assessment activities, and of course no college can receive funding from the government if it is not accredited. Assessment is something that is part of our job responsibilities, but he concluded by stating that when we engage in our departmental assessment activities we should be careful to ask sound and serious questions and do assessment that we think can actually lead to improvements in student learning.

A recent article on assessment, by Dr. David Eubanks of Furman University, appears in "Intersection," a journal of the Association for the Assessment of Learning in Higher Education. This article is mentioned in Erik Gilbert, "An Insider's Take on Assessment: It May Be Worse Than You Thought" ("Chronicle of Higher Education," February 2, 2018: A25). A new book on the subject is Jerry Z. Muller, "The Tyranny of Metrics" (Princeton UP).

IV. COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Kate Plessing-Brunetto spoke about the Admissions Committee

The committee is working on a re-admissions policy. She clarified Behavioral Intervention Team and Pipeline procedures. The college-wide open house is April 12th. All local high school guidance counselors and administrators have been invited to attend.

V. OLD BUSINESS:

Anthony Yankowski spoke about his work with deadlines for end of semester grades. He proposed that Fall grades be due 7 days (one week) after the semester ends. Spring grades will be due the Friday after the semester ends. Suggestion to include "by the end of the business day" to these deadlines.

There was discussion about the impact of these deadlines on GPA which is necessary for students trying to get into the Honors Program.

There was a motion to consider this further and postpone any action until the April Senate meeting. Motion passed 49-6-0

Dan Sheehan mentioned that funds were removed from his budget with no notification. Apparently this is happening to many budgets. Dr. Mullaney says departments will need to communicate with him and request that funds will be returned.

VI. NEW BUSINESS

Policy Advisory Council was pulled from the agenda

Student Government Proposal- Sibora Peca, SGA president, presented a final exam policy

"If you have more than 2 final exams on the same day, you may request that one be rescheduled. You must contact your instructor with the request at least 2 weeks before finals week"

Discussion followed, mostly about the lack of a final exams week at Bergen. Many Senators felt that students have the right to request this all ready, regardless of the policy. Dr. Mullaney spoke about the need for adjunct faculty to have this type of policy.

The SGA will draft a policy.

Curriculum-

105-17/18	Course Addition	WEX-2XX	Athletic Training Practicum I- Taping & Bracing for Athletic Injury
106-17/18	Course Addition	WEX-2XX	Athletic Training Practicum II Evaluation & Treatment of Athletic Injury
107-17/18 As a packet	Curriculum Addition	AS.PS.AT	ATHLETIC TRAINING

Amendment proposed for 107-17/18 Athletic Training: modify grading policy. Change to two Humanities Electives.

Passed with amendments: 42-0-0

116-17/18	Course Addition	ART-1XX	Sculpture 1
117-17/18	Course Modification	LIT-231	Literature and the Environment
118-17/18	Course Modification	INF-217	Database Administration
119-17/18	Course Modification	GAM-211	Game Programming 2D
120-17/18	Course Modification	INF-230	Advanced Multimedia
121-17/18	Program Modification	AAS.IT.NET	AAS.IT.NETWORK ADMINISTRATION

As a packet

Passed with whole packet 49-0-0

122-17/18	Course Modification	HRM-103	Professional Food Preparation Techniques
123-17/18	Course Modification	HRM-110	Introduction to Baking
124-17/18	Course Modification	HRM-202	Quantity Food Production and Services
125-17/18	Course Modification	HRM-205	Restaurant Service Management
126-17/18	Course Modification	HRM-206	Commercial Restaurant Operation
127-17/18	Course Modification	HRM-213	Classical Garde-Manger
128-17/18	Course Modification	HRM-220	Advanced Baking Techniques

As a packet

Passed with whole packet 49-0-0

129-17/18	Program Modification	AS.PS.BUS.ADM	AS Business Administration
130-17/18	Program Deletion	AS.PS.BUS.MKTG	AS Business Admin-Marketing Option
131-17/18	Program Deletion	AS.PS.BUS.MGMT	AS Business Admin-Management Option
132-17/18	Program Deletion	AS.PS.BUS.ACCT	AS Business Admin-Accounting Option
133-17/18	Program Deletion	AS.PS.BUS.INTL AS	Business Admin-International Trade Option

As a packet

Amendment proposed for 129-17/18 BUS.ADM to add the sentence: No more than two Humanities courses from the same discipline.

Passed with amendment: 39-1-1

Adjournment

