



**Executive Council Meeting
November 7, 2018
10:30 am-12:30 pm in E-518
Minutes**

Present: Gail O. Mellow, Paul Arcario, Janet Corcoran (present after Item #1 discussed), Nireata Seals, Shahir Erfan, Susan Lyddon, Francesca Fiore, Robert Jaffe, Henry Saltiel and Jessica Mendoza

Absent: Mark Healy

Starting time 10:40 am

1. Discussion of Membership and Search Committee for the Vice President of Institutional Advancement search

President Mellow discussed who she would like as the Chair for the Search Committee for the Vice President of Institutional Advancement. The Executive Council agreed that Professor Richard Lieberman would be the appropriate Chair. Vice Presidents were asked to nominate individuals for consideration.

2. Survey from Faculty and Staff of Color Collective

Provost Arcario distributed a handout of the proposed Faculty and Staff of Color Survey. Out of the last COACHE survey there were some issues that emerged around gender and diversity issues. One outgrowth is the formation of a faculty and staff of color collective has been organized by Vanessa Bing. They have requested to do a survey to examine attitudes and experiences of faculty and staff at LaGuardia around issues of race, diversity and inclusion. Jeannine Molock of Institutional Research worked with the group and assisted in construction of the survey. The Executive Council reviewed and discussed the questions on the survey. A shorter survey was suggested in order to increase participation. In addition, the Executive Council recommended the survey be sent to all faculty and staff.

3. Divisional Reports

GM/PO-Received a \$150,000 grant from the Petrie Foundation regarding technology.

HS/IT-Pass

FF/ACE- Excited about the news of Amazon coming to Long Island City. Big opportunities and possibilities for training.

SL/IA- Thank you to Executive Council.

RJ/PO-Election results and the implications for higher education.

SE/Adm- Construction of C-building going great. Almost all panels are up. Yury Fastovsky will be retiring at the end of December. Lara Moon will be leaving LaGuardia at the end of November.

NS/SA- Extensive work being done to tighten the connection between advising and enrollment. College is seeing an increase in reporting of incidents of student behavior. Nireata Seals and Luis Merchant have been having a series of conversations each month with faculty and staff to talk about a wide range of services and student behaviors. Provost Arcario finished the faculty and staff guide for student conduct and this has been disseminated.

JC/PO- IA staff very excited about the prospect of Amazon coming to Long Island City. Also gearing up for foundation end of year meeting. CUNY giving day is November 27th. The exclusive focus will be LaGuardia.

PA/AA- Instructional staff meeting this afternoon. Discussion will be about 30 credit initiative.