

NASSAU COMMUNITY COLLEGE
Garden City, New York 11530

Academic, Student Affairs & Enrollment Committee Meeting Minutes

November 12, 2024

The meeting of the Academic, Student Affairs & Enrollment Committee of the Board of Trustees was held in the College Center Building room 252-253. The meeting was called to order by Trustee Tuman at 5:20 p.m.

Committee Members Present: Donna Tuman, Chair
Lynne D'Agostino
Kathy Weiss
Jordon Groom
Jorge Gardyn (ex-officio).

Also in Attendance: John Durso, Wanda Jackson,
CAO Conzatti, VPs Genette-Alvarez and Smith,
Registrar Barkan, Asst. VP Follick, AVP Hylton

1. Approval of Minutes

Trustee Tuman made a motion to untable the minutes of September 10, 2024. Seconded by Trustee Weiss. Motion carried 4-0.

Trustee Tuman requested a motion to approve the amended minutes of September 10, 2024. Trustee Weiss made the motion; seconded by Trustee D'Agostino. Motion carried 4-0.

Trustee Tuman requested a motion to approve the minutes of October 8, 2024. Trustee Siberón made the motion; seconded by Trustee Groom. Motion carried 3-0-1(Weiss).

2. Report of the Academic Senate Chair

Chair Gorman reported that he attended the Plenary of the Faculty Council of Community Colleges (FCCC) and while there he asked a question regarding policy. The Chair of the New York Community College Trustees (NYCCT), Allen Williams, responded "*the Board makes policy*", but he no less clarified that there can be confusion on what actually constitutes a policy, which he defined as "*an overarching policy that affects the institution*". Chair Gorman was pleased with this answer, since it concurs with what he has heard the administration say about policy. NYCCT Chair Williams also said that he has noticed Board members are uncertain whether somebody speaking is representing union or governance.

Chair Gorman stated for the benefit of the new Trustee, that on governance, the Academic Senate does not represent the union at all. He offered to explain the difference if anyone were interested. He thanked Dr. Alvarez-Ortiz for encouraging him to attend the Plenary, as well as for providing his funding.

Candice Vacin, President of the FCCC, had scheduled a visit to Nassau on November 21st for the purpose of seeing what the FCCC can do for the campus. During this visit, she would not be meeting with the Board, but she did request to meet with Dr. Conzatti, who graciously agreed. The FCCC has been instrumental in getting the deadline for the SUNY mandate on the General Education (GE) framework extended to Fall 2025. He has brought this visit to the Board's attention to ask the Trustees to encourage the administration to welcome President Vacin since the FCCC can be helpful and is a unit of SUNY.

Dr. Conzatti and Chair Gorman signed appointment letters for 15 faculty, 5 administrators, and 2 students to serve on the Guided Pathways Task Force.

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