

MINUTES OF THE COLLEGE COUNCIL STANDING COMMITTEE ON GOVERNANCE

MEDGAR EVERS COLLEGE

OCTOBER 17, 2022

In Attendance:

Prof. William Carr
Prof. Kathleen Barker
Grace Carter-St. Hill, Classified Civil Service
Julie Augustin, HEO Elect
Prof. Victoria Chevalier
Prof. Donna Wright
Prof. Ken Irish-Bramble
Prof. Jade Robertson
Prof. Gregorio Mayers
Shirley Irick, Esq., President's Designee

Absent:

Elected Student Member (Vacancy due to election)
Lucius Priestler, President, Alumni Association
Katie Davis, President, Community Council
President, Student Government (Newly elected)
Prof. Harsha Rajapakse
CLT/HEO (Vacancy)

1. **Call to Order:** 11:35 AM; Quorum not achieved till approximately 12:00 Noon.
2. **Agenda affirmed:**
Counsel Irick presented as the primary goal of this meeting the election a new Chair, due to the departure of former Chair, Dr. Bart Van Steirteghem.
3. **Minutes of meetings: Secretary pro tem.** Prof. Barker reminded the Committee of our decision regarding an alphabetical approach by last name beginning from the end of the alphabet. The Committee approved this approach. Prof. Wright was assigned Secretary pro tem for this meeting to take minutes.
4. **Open Meetings Law.** Counsel Irick reminded the Committee of the reinstatement of OML and its implications for our committee work, and quorum. Prof. Chevalier added that therefore we, as a statutory body under this law, will now meet in person. It was emphasized that punctual attendance at 11:30 am is a necessity to achieve quorum and continue the work of the College.
5. **Membership.** It was noted and discussed that CLT representation remains vacant. The issue of vacancy of Alumni Association Presidential representation on Committee this last year was discussed. Discussion of solutions ensued.
6. **First Goals.** The President's designee, Counsel Shirley Irick, opened the floor for nominations for Chair. Discussion ensued. Prof. Irish-Bramble nominated Prof. Victoria Chevalier. The nomination was seconded. Nominations were closed. Professor Gregorio Mayers was nominated by Ms. Augustin. Prof. Mayers respectfully declined. It was noted nominations were closed. Professor Chevalier was unanimously elected to position of Chair by a show of hands.
7. **New Business.** A question was asked about the charge of the Committee. Professor Chevalier provided a brief overview of the charge, and the current Standing Committees of College Council. The necessity to include a College Wide Academic Standards and Regulations Committee to place the College in compliance with the CUNY Bylaws and NY State law was noted. A detailed discussion ensued. Professor Chevalier stated she would email to the Committee the original Medgar Evers College Governance Plan (Amended 1992), along with the CUNY 2013 GP (Amended 2017), along with the Agenda for November 2022 meeting.

Adjournment: 1:00 PM

Respectfully submitted,

Dr. Donna Wright
Secretary pro tem