

## Meeting Details

Date: Monday May 12, 2025

Time: 11:30 AM – 12:45 PM

Location: Founder's Auditorium (Bedford Building)

## Minutes by Agenda Item

### I. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 11:35 AM with President Ramsey presiding.

### II. Approval of Agenda and Minutes

A motion to add to the agenda faculty nominations to the Faculty Student Disciplinary Committee, was seconded (Chevalier), and unanimously approved.

A motion to approve the April meeting minutes was seconded (T. Blackman) and unanimously approved.

### III. The President's Report

The President reported on pending government policies the main points included the following: risk sharing whereby colleges/universities will be held responsible for paying back delinquent student loans issued to its students, this impacts financial planning since institutions will have 90 days post notification to settle the balances. Since Congress is in reconciliation, NY representatives are working to remove this from the reconciliation bill and keeps all CUNY informed.

Dr. Daniels presented an update on the status of Middle States. She provided an overview of the standards, outcomes, and needed forms of documentation-- emphasizing that evidentiary data is essential, data that proves action has been taken. The Evidence Team is collecting all data and cross-referencing. Our Middle State review pending schedule is Spring 2025 rough draft, Fall 2025 feedback and final submission, Spring 2026 site visit and accreditation approval.

Dr. Ford raised concerns about the lack of visibility of faculty (in some areas) on campus and how this may negatively affect the Middle States campus visit. The President emphasized that only those faculty who are assigned online courses are allowed to work remotely, all other alterations to the schedule are noncompliant and must be controlled by the deans of School.

### IV. Standing Committee Reports:

#### A. Academic Standards and Regulations Committee

The committee has met with a quorum regularly. It has created a Brightspace portal through which it can communicate efficiently with the College Council.

- B.** General Education Committee – no report
- C.** Administrative Advisory Committee – no report
- D.** Committee on Governance –

The committee will complete its general edits of the Governance Plan and present the draft to the Executive Board in September for review.

- E.** Committee on Student Life

The student experience survey was launched in April and will remain open until July.

- F.** Committee on College-wide Curriculum – New courses/programs (vote items)

- 1. School of Science

- i) Department of Social Work: SW 360 Mental Health, SW 306 SW 306 AI in Social Work: Advancing Social Justice and Intersectionality Frameworks, and prerequisite course revisions

All programs were presented by the faculty and chair of SW. SW360 (Richardson) this course addresses the needs to understand mental health and related issues. Assignments will include a self-care assessment and reporting of personal experiences to help students recognize mental health. Course is relevant since the number of majors has increased and Department of Health facilities. An inquiry about SW360 incorporating clinical trials was addressed; not initially, but the faculty is looking to work to incorporate in-class professional presentations.

SW306(Snowden) this course incorporates AI into the practice of social work and social justice; and this is a unique course in CUNY.

Prerequisite alignments: overall the changes will end most of the course scheduling conflicts with result from mislabeled courses or obsolete courses.

Provost Coleman confirmed that Degree Works is being updated to flush the system of inconsistencies.

A motion to approve new courses SW 360 and SW306, and the prerequisite revisions was seconded (T. Ford); the motion carried by vote of 41 yea, 0 nah, and 5 abstained.

- 2. Allied Health – Community Health Program

The program was presented by Dean Han. The program was originally proposed in 2020 and registered with CUNY in 2023, but the program did not launch because the healthcare landscape had profoundly changed post COVID19. To properly redesign the program a consultant Ms. Green (BA MEC, MS CUNY Public Health) to ensure that it adheres to the CUNY standard, is relevant, rigorous and streamline. Some course titles to better reflect the degree and nature of health, for example, Strategies for Community Wellbeing changed to Intro to Community and Environmental Health. Additionally, structural changes in upper-level course to create a capstone course, to include some existing two-credit courses to enrich the interdisciplinary perspectives (e.g. HIS 200 The Growth and Development in the

US, ECON 430 War on Drugs, History, Economics and Public Policy). Also expanded the electives options (e.g. The Psychology of Women, Intersection Between Race Biology & Technology). The redesign is a forward-looking revision that minces cultural competence and health and scientific literacy. The program is already approved by and registered with NY State; these changes will strength the academic experience and professional readiness of MEC students.

Dr. Dean affirmed that SW 330 will be included in the curriculum and that CIS 101 is required and CIS 280 is an elective.

### 3. Biology – Degree Maps

Dr. Small reported that PHS 101 is longer a perquisite for PHS 114 (only BIO 101); MTH 136 is the appropriate course for mayors.

A motion to approve the changes to the Biology Degree Map was seconded (W. Ford); motion carried 4 abstained, 43 yeas.

### 4. School of Business

#### i) Business Administration

MAN 354 Services Management, MAN 357 Supply Chain Management (S. Lakshminarayanan). The services and management services courses address the burgeoning professional demand and will prepare students to meet those in the workplace.

MAR 324 Social Media Marketing (I Billy) reported that the professional market is not demanding the skill of social media in the field of marketing hence this course is developed to teach and train students with this skill.

#### ii) Public Administration:

PA 150 Introduction to Criminal Law (W. Ford). This is the first course, and it should not have any prerequisites, the request is simply a course correction.

A motion to approve the new courses from both departments and to remove prerequisites from PA150, was seconded (V. Chevalier); the motion was carried unanimously.

### 5. School of Liberal Arts

#### i) Department of English and World Languages

Revised curriculum maps for African Diaspora Lit (AA, BA); English (AA, BA) were reviewed for consistency and ease of transfer. For example, reaffirmed that MTH 115 or 136 are prerequisites for all courses; while PHS 101 as a requirement, but kept BIO 101.

A motion to approve the changes to the curriculum of AA, BA DEWL programs was second (M. Carroll); the motion carried, 4 abstained, 44 yeas.

**V.** Faculty Student Disciplinary Committee nominations (G. Dent)

Faculty member terms have now expired, but they are eligible for reelection. It was clarified that the faculty are at large.

A motion to keep the current constitution of the FSDS faculty who have completed their first, two-year term on the committee (V. Chevalier); the motion was seconded (T. Johnson); and passed unanimously.

**VI.** College Council Elections 2025-27 Term – S. Irick, parliamentarian

According to the Governance Plan a call for School Elections must go out every April (every two years); an oversight prevented this action hence these elections will be held before the first meeting of the College Council in September 2025.

**VII.** Announcements

Dr. Hoyte reiterated that all department chairs must send **the final version** of department degree maps as soon as possible.

A motion to adjourn the meeting was seconded (W. Ford) and unanimously approved. The meeting adjourned at 12:56 PM.