

Meeting Details

Date: Monday, December 8, 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 11:43 a.m. with a quorum present, President Ramsey presiding.

II. President's Welcome

President Ramsey reported on the College's partnerships with IBM and Amazon Web Services (AWS), which offer training and certification opportunities in cloud computing and artificial intelligence (AI). She noted that Dr. Ahn has been invited to represent MEC in the AWS Machine Learning University (MLU) Education Consortium and the Transformation Alliance through May 2026.

She reported meeting with the Middle States team chair on December 8 and noted that the College is on schedule for its spring review also that students reported concerns regarding course scheduling and advising. To address these and other lingering issue, the President has formed a *Campus Solutions Task Force* Solutions which will includes Administrative Advisory and other members of the College Council.

S. Mason suggested that academic advising as the focus of the next Faculty Institute.

III. Middle States Site Visit Report – Ken Hoyte, Ph.D. associate provost, and Shirley Daniels, Ph.D., chair of Nursing.

The co-chairs provided an overview of the timeline for the upcoming spring Middle States accreditation visit and reminded the working groups, chairs, and deans to keep the college's mission, [R.I.S.E.](#), at the forefront as they develop and revise all standards documentation. As important, assessment is critical.

IV. College Council Committee Nominations -continuance

1. Administrative Advisory Committee – Additional Nominees

The committee requires a minimum of four nominees. Current nominees are William Carr and Edward Owie, with additional nominations received from Theodore Andrews (self-nominated) and Jermaine Reid (nominated by S. Blackman). All nominees accepted their nominations, and the committee is therefore duly constituted.

2. Faculty-Student Disciplinary Committee Nominations

The following faculty were nominated: Sumerya Tosun Ph.D., Tamaris Bahamondi, and Kevin Hamilton. Confirmation of nominees' acceptance will be reported by the Secretary at the next meeting

V. Curriculum Committee New Programs/Courses (vote items)

1. School of Liberal Arts

EWL African Diaspora Literature– minor – Susan Fischer, Ph.D.
The minor seamlessly transfers into all AA and BS programs.

Motion: Fischer offered a motion to approve the minor program in African Diaspora Literature. The motion was seconded and, by a show of hands, passed unanimously.

2. School of Business

a. CIS Artificial Intelligence Concentration – David Ahn, Ph.D.

Motion: Fischer offered a motion to approve the CIS AI Concentration. The motion was seconded and, by a show of hands, passed unanimously.

b. CIS Cybersecurity Concentration – Avinash Jairam

The new concentration in Cybersecurity is designed to equip students with the knowledge and skills required to meet growing workforce demands in the field. It introduces new coursework and prepares students for industry-recognized professional certification exams.

Dr. Ford asked for clarification of the term 'ethical hacking'.

Dr. Fadairo clarified that all faculty are qualified to teach the new 400-level courses proposed for this program.

Motion: Fischer offered a motion to approve the CIS Cybersecurity Concentration. The motion was seconded and, by a show of hands, passed unanimously.

3. School of Science and Allied Health

a. Phys./CS curriculum revisions – Rosa Zavala-Guitterez, Ph.D.

The department has updated the PHYS/CS curriculum by removing outdated courses, renaming courses to better reflect their content, and streamlining elective options. These revisions were informed by feedback from students and industry partners.

Motion: Fischer offered a motion to approve the PHYS/CS curriculum revisions. The motion was seconded and, by a show of hands, passed unanimously

**VI. College Council Standing Committee & Executive Board Election Results
(formerly item IV)**

Due to time constraints, this item was moved to the end of the meeting. The newly elected members of the College Council Standing Committees and its Executive Board, selected by electronic ballot, were read aloud. An official certification of the election results will be sent to all Council members.

VII. Announcements

Dr. Castro requested that School Deans to be more proactive in building relationships with the Central Brooklyn middle and high schools.

The meeting adjourned at 1:01 PM.

Minutes prepared by Gelonia Dent, Ph.D., executive secretary of the College Council.