

**QCC Faculty Senate  
SPRING 2019  
January 31, 2019**

MINUTES

<b>TYPE OF MEETING</b>	Monthly Senate Meeting	
<b>FACILITATOR</b>	Judy Colson, Faculty Senate President	
<b>NOTE TAKER</b>	Jim Brennan, Faculty Senate Secretary	
<b>EXECUTIVE BOARD</b>	Judy Colson, President Byron Thomas, Vice President Jim Brennan, Secretary	
<b>COMMITTEES</b>	<b>Committee</b>	<b>Lead Faculty</b>
	Academic Policies Committee	Margaret Wong
	AdHoc Action Committee	Jen Arner Welsh and Maura Stickles
	AdHoc Committee/QCCPA Liaison	Susan McPherson
	Adjunct Faculty Affairs Committee	Deb Levin
	Alternative Modalities Committee	Amy Beaudry
	Bylaws Committee	Brenda Safford
	Curriculum Committee	Eric Mania
	Faculty Senate Campus Safety Committee	Mike Gormley
	Governance Steering Committee Rep	Tiger Swan
	Governance Steering Committee Rep Alternate	Kristy Glover
	Nominations and Elections Committee	<b>VACANT</b>
	Planning Committee	<b>VACANT</b>
	Professional Development Committee	Nancy Berthiaume
Special Committee on Administrative Affairs	<b>VACANT</b>	

CALL TO ORDER:

**Approval of November 2018 Minutes:** Motion made and seconded to approve minutes.

**VOTE: ALL YES**

ACTION ITEMS	PERSON RESPONSIBLE	DEADLINE
Archive Minutes	Jim Brennan	Per policy

Agenda

<b>DISCUSSION</b>	<b>Welcome</b> Judy began the meeting by thanking everyone for attending and asked if there were any items to be added to the agenda. She then congratulated Betsy Zuegg on her retirement.
	Judy stressed the importance of upcoming meeting with the President-Dr. Pedraja will attend the Faculty Senate meeting on Thursday, February 28 <sup>th</sup> .
	<b>New Business</b>
	<b>President's Report</b>

Discussion of Faculty Senate Committees-New Adjunct Affairs Committee-Chair of the committee was introduced. Brought up issues related to Adjunct Offices in the S Building-destruction during renovation process-need for more effective communication process-move to 4<sup>th</sup> floor-equipment left behind-stored faculty materials need to be cleared out.

Discussion of the formation of the Ad Hoc Committee of the Faculty Senate-Jen Arner-Welsh and Maura Stickles serve as Co-Chairs-committee formed to address issues that arise during the regular Faculty Senate meeting-concerns over student needs outside the classroom and the amount of time required of faculty in efforts to address such needs-feelings among some that the awareness of issues is not always connected to the decision making process of the college-lack of faculty inclusion in the decision making process-need for the Ad Hoc committee to identify priorities and strategies.

Judy highlighted the need to staff standing committees-Planning Committee and Nominations and Elections Committee-Description of committees on the Faculty Senate page and BlackBoard course page. Need for faculty to have voice on committees-need to have access to a list of committees on campus, including those committees that are outside of the governance structure-the need to understand where committees fit within the governance structure-mention of Program and Process Committee-new initiatives and programs brought to the Program and Process Committee-need to know who can attend the committee meetings-President's office should have list of existing committees-check with Selina Boria-Reference to the All College Day that was held a few year ago.

### **Faculty and Professional Staff Conference—May 16 and 17 at Blue Water Resort in South Yarmouth.**

Planning stages-forming committee to plan the retreat-need ideas for theme-possible theme 'Making Connections'-review of proposals by the Executive Committee-Due date for proposal submission April 12, 2019.

### **From the floor**

Mark Bates: Faculty members as social workers-need for concrete information as it pertains to connecting students to college resources-made mention of Tina Wells-Counseling Office and the need for additional counseling resources.

Mention of Redbook of community Resources-mention of Aunt Bertha.org and Mass 211.gov as potential resources. Some information about resources available on the Q.

Drug and alcohol issues in Worcester-need for resources, including staffing resources.

Jean Kennedy-referred to having attended one of President Pedraja's listening sessions-Example of QCC Food Bank as a resource.

Tiger Swan-need for identifying what other community colleges are doing regarding resources to address student needs.

Gaelan Benway-Reference to Gateway to College-need to get more students to participate in existing initiatives-need to eliminate administrative barriers-Advising and orientation process-reference to Student Success Center.

Maura Stickles-remarked that the college tends to be reactionary-reference to Advising- student wait times-issues and frustrations related to long wait times-reference to start rite program-call for more faculty input on initiatives.

Math faculty member-brought up grant initiative related to teaching math in jails as an example of the need for greater faculty input as it pertains to various campus initiatives.

Mike Gormley-Referenced the President's belief in Faculty Senate participation.  
From the floor. Lisa Cook-highlighted faculty governance and the need for greater participation.

Gaelan Benway-Reference to Strategic Plan-need for a more effective communication structure.  
Maura Stickles-Reference to email request for faculty to serve on committee connected to the Strategic Plan.

Amy Beaudry-Referenced workshops related to student success-Student Success in the Classroom-we can submit workshop ideas to [cae@qcc.mass.edu](mailto:cae@qcc.mass.edu) (Center for Academic Excellence).

Adjournment: 3:00PM

**NEXT MEETING**

February 28, 2019

**ROOM 107A-2:00PM**

**Current Faculty Senate Scheduled Meetings**

**Academic Year 2018-2019**

March 28, 2019

April 25, 2019