

Yeshiva University Manhattan Campuses Faculty Council
Brookdale Campus, Room 1008
January 31, 2014, 11 A.M.
Minutes

Present: Paris Baldacci, Joan Beder, Gabriel Cwilich, Carl Feit, Jeffrey Freedman, Anatoly Frenkel, Paula Geyh, Marina Holz, Joseph Kerstein, William Lee, Nora Nachumi, William Stenhouse, Charles Swencionis, Lynn Wishart, Marnin Young; Provost Mort Lowengrub, Vice Provost Larry Schiffman, Prof. Jeffrey Segall (Albert Einstein College of Medicine), guests

The financial concerns of the university and possible responses from the Faculty Council were discussed.

Moved by P. Geyh and seconded to have Provost Lowengrub request a meeting with representatives from the Faculty Council and the consultants currently advising the university regarding restructuring. Motion carried.

Moved by G. Cwilich and seconded that the Faculty Council articulate priorities that maintain focus on the core mission of the faculty and use those priorities to frame efforts of the Council while working with the Provost and others to advance a more efficient operation of the academic units. Motion carried.

Moved by G. Cwilich and seconded that Faculty Council representatives should communicate with their faculties regarding academic priorities and possible changes before March 1. Motion carried.

Moved by W. Stenhouse and seconded to hold an electronic vote to amend Faculty Council By-laws to change the term of service from 3 years to 2 years and to add a provision providing for the election of Representatives in alternate years to prevent concurrent terms. Motion carried.

Albert Einstein College of Medicine Faculty Senate meetings are open to the public. C. Swencionis will plan to attend.

Moved by W. Stenhouse and seconded that the Faculty Council supports the removal of the university from the AAUP censure list and requests that the Provost take necessary action. Motion carried.

Faculty Council agreed that faculty in the arts & sciences who are members of Phi Beta Kappa be encouraged to begin the process of organizing and requesting a charter for a new chapter.

The next Faculty Council meeting is slated for April 4.

The meeting adjourned at 1:30 P.M.

Minutes submitted by L. Wishart, Secretary