

Executive Council Meeting Wednesday, August 5, 2015 Minutes

<u>Present:</u> Gail O. Mellow, Ann Feibel, Michael Baston, Shahir Erfan, Robert Jaffe, Carl Ferrero, Henry Saltiel, Jane Schulman and Jessica Mendoza

Excused: Paul Arcario, Susan Lyddon

1. Discussion on follow up to Leadership Retreat

President Mellow led a discussion regarding reactions to the President's leadership retreat. Discussion noted the highlights and challenges of the retreat.

2. Report on Utilization of Goldman Sachs Funding

Vice President Michael Baston will leading a new initiative named Road to Success which is sponsored by the donation from the Goldman Sachs. The initiative will support students who completed their Business or Liberal Arts First Year Seminar classes this past Spring I session and ensure that they re-enroll for Fall 2015, while helping them complete their college curriculum by addressing any necessary needs.

3. Divisional Reports

PO/G. Mellow- Took part in a panel discussion on July 27th with Education Secretary Arne Duncan on the Future of Higher Education in Baltimore, Maryland. Appointed by the Economic Development Corporation to sit on their board.

IT/H. Saltiel- Outlook mail system is doing well. Has started having meetings on how to re-design SEMS.

PO/R. Jaffe-LaGuardia was approached by New York Economic Development Corporation, who is engaging in a feasibility study. The EDC is looking at a number of different facts that have to be examined to see if they can develop the Sunnyside Yards. They want to know about the communities need. VP Erfan, Claudia Chan will be meeting with them this afternoon. CUNY2020 state program funded by the Governor. Seema, Shahir and myself are working together to develop application for a site in the "C" building where you could bring together businesses who would be nurtured by our business service programs and where students would gain experiential education.

ACE/J. Schulman- Suzie Scanlon, who sits on the board started a 10K small business fund and came to speak to co-hort 15 who have raised \$10,000. Jane Mackillop has brought a group from across the college over to Riker's Island prison for a program to help individuals on Riker's reduce violence. Hopefully this program will lead to bringing more educational programs to Riker's Island.

IA/C. Ferrero –Completed CUNY's fundraising assessment. Will be starting the search for hiring a Director of External Affairs.

ADM/S. Erfan- The new Human Resource director will be starting on August 17th. Façade job is going well. There have been some delays in the Library project but hopeful that the project will be completed by March 2016.

SA/M. Baston –Enrollment for Fall is great, projects we will make target for enrollment this year. Has been asked to be part of the Chancellor's task for on experiential learning and the Men of Color initiative

AA/A. Feibel - John Jay has asked for LaGuardia to be a partner with them on their CUNY2020 grant on cybersecurity. College Now program was asked to pilot a course for the teenage population on Riker's Island and as a result of this it seems like College Now will be able to run a program on Riker's for the youth population to gain college credit. LaGuardia will be running a full online food service program for Hamburger University. NYPD working with LaGuardia about creating a career pathways for the school safety agents.

Meeting adjourned at 3:00 pm