

Fran Moran made an amendment to the agenda to move his reports and announcements toward the end of the meeting after the committee's reports in the interest of getting to our other speakers first. Teresa Spataro made a motion to move the approval the minutes also to the end of the meeting so the committees can report. The first amendment was seconded but not the second. The amended agenda was approved by unanimous consent to move the Senate President's report and announcements to the end of the meeting.

## **III.** <u>Motion to Approve</u> the University Senate Meeting Minutes of the October 18, 2021 Senate Meeting.

Teresa Spataro objected to the meeting minutes: To remove the record of the general education curriculum committee and put in its place put the exact motion as written in the document from the General Education Committee, General Education Curriculum committee.

• Fran Moran noted that the minutes would be edited to reflect the motion as presented and approval of the minutes would be delayed until the December meeting.

### **IV. SGA Report:** Mr. Thyquel Halley, SGA President

The SGA is planning their state of the SGA Leadership banquet to meet this Friday at 6pm. They invited all of our student leaders and members of administration, to the banquet event to talk about leagnssn in r Tf()-mcwmlul/a6pm. the

in the students' residence buildings – missing ceiling panels and faulty

### Planning, Development, & Budget Committee: Dr. Joyce Wright, Chairperson

- Kwi Brennan, was invited from the Foundation, and the following information was obtained.
  - " The primary role of the Foundation is to raise funds for the university to support our students. Since the university as a public entity, it cannot accept private contributions. All state Schools have an independent foundation which is treated as a subsidiary of the University
  - " Last year the foundation raised \$3.1 million a 22% increase over the year prior and has experienced an annual average growth rate of 17% over the last five years. Donors have increase 3-4-fold, and the goal is to raise \$5 million dollars each year in a sustainable way.
  - "Currently the Foundation has awarded \$800,000 dollars in scholarships. Scholarships are "donor designated" such as tied with an academic major, but all are need based. Academic Excellence funds are also available for each school/department. These funds are restricted for that school/departments use.
- Balance Sheet of the University was presented by James White:
  - " Cash on hand, as of 6/30/2021 cash and cash equivalents \$51,390,048. short term \$2,632,393.
  - " Deferred Grant Revenue/COVID Monies Liabilities \$28,587,971. That will be appropriated toward fiscal 2022, 2023.
  - " Long term debt is \$156,000,000. There was a 10 million drop last year, due to no increases, furlough of two weeks, and 10 severance packages.
  - Max Hermon noted: the basic point is that the foundation is largely being used to finance the development of the West Side campus by floating bonds, because as you mentioned, their private entity. However, as you mentioned, the university is still sort of on the hook for the debt incurred by the Foundation and it does affect their credit rating. The COVID money has been used a lot of the COVID money has been used to help put students into the dorms. And the reason for that is related to the foundation floating those bonds for the construction of the dorms. Because last year we incurred a penalty from on those on our debt because we didn't fill the dorms to capacity the first semester of COVID. So the following semester, we use the cares money from the federal government to put more students in the dorms, thereby helping to pay off some of the debt on the dorm. So I just wanted to make it clear how those two things were related to one another and we are continuing to take on more debt by building the Performing Arts Center, which indeed has a similar bond structure and will be financed largely by rental apartments being built above the performing arts center itself, which we are obligated since we are floating the bonds we are obligated to help those apartments get up to capacity. So I just wanted to mention that
- The Committee approved the following:
  - " MS in Diplomacy for Global Security 36 cr. (Received 5/2)
  - " MA in Teaching Secondary Urban and Special Education 38 Credits, (received 5/5)
  - " BS in Forensic Chemistry 120cr. (Received 6/20)

- Fran Moran asked if there were any objections to approving the MS in Diplomacy for Global Security, the MA in Teaching Secondary Urban and Special Education, and the BS in Forensic Chemistry.
  - " The programs were approved by general consent.
- The committee is working to have a budget template for any proposal, hopefully to be presented at the December meeting. (*Attachment #3*)

**General Education Curriculum Committee:** Dr. Andrew Bossie & Dr. Marcin Ramocki, Co-Chairs

(Attachment #4)

• There are currently too many sections offered in some and too few offered in others.

this. And so what we're trying to figure out is that what is needed to make it happen.

• Fran Moran asked for a vote on the motion

" The motion was approved 97%:3%

### **New Jersey City University**

# **Application for Changing WC and/or CT Student Learning Outcomes of General Education Courses Scheduled in AY22-23**

Directions for Department Chairs: (Attachment #6)

On April 20th

	Please click links for the SLO rubrics
С	<u>Civic Engagement &amp; Intercultural</u> <u>Knowledge</u>
С	Critical Thinking & Problem Solving
	Information & Technology Literacy
С	Oral Communication
	<u>Quantitative Literacy</u>
С	Written Communication

# **Curriculum & Instruction Committee:** Dr. Michael Rotenberg-Schwartz, Chairperson (*Attachment #7*)

- The committee approved the following program proposals:
  - Biology: BS Environmental and Organismal Biology: 72 cr.
  - o Biology: BS Molecular and Cellular Biology: 72 cr.
- The committee approved the following course proposals:
  - " Earth and Environmental Sciences: It's a Large World of Microbes: Environmental Science of Microorganisms: 3 cr. 200 level
  - " Sociology & Anthropology: Policy & Advocacy: National, Global & Technological Context: 3cr. 300 level
  - ' Sociology & Anthropology: Human Behavior in the Social Environment: Individuals & Families: 3cr. 300 level
- The committee approved the following course proposals pending minor edits:
  - " Sociology & Anthropology: Diversity, Engagement, Inclusion, & Social Justice: 3 cr. 300 level
  - " Sociology & Anthropology: Social Work Foundation & Ethics: 3 cr. 300 level.
- Joe Moskowitz proposed the motion that the Senate expresses its concern about 300 level courses that don't have specified prerequisites. The motion was seconded. Fran Moran indicated that the motion was approved.
- Fran Moran proposed a motion to approve the BS in Environmental and Organismal Biology and the BS in Molecular and Cellular Biology.
  - " The motion passed by general consent.

### VI. Announcements

### **Volunteers for Senate Committee vacancies**

- Committee on Instructional Technology: Moitrayee Chatterjee, CS; the Elections Committee: Prashnath Ravula, Marketing, one more member is needed; Faculty & Professional staff: Arlene Bloom & Alemtsehai Turasie, Math; Student Affairs: Michael Sparrow; GCAP: Alnoor Cheema; GECC: Cory Frost, Chris Shamberg, and Ashley Pottinger is a student rep.
- Fran Moran asked for a motion to accept these persons to the respected committees. Moved and seconded.
  - "Student rep Khadija noted that a lot of student senators have not heard or have only heard once from their committee. The SGA has many issues that need to be addressed and the students need to bring the concerns to their respective committees. Fran Moran noted that he will contact the Senate Committee Chairs to reach out to the Student reps.
  - " The Motion to accept the above persons to their respective committees was approved by general consent.

### **COVID** vaccination mandate

The university is adopting a COVID vaccination mandate that everybody needs to be aware of: That all employees who are not granted a medical or religious exemption need to be vaccinated by December 23 2021. The key dates are all employees who have not received an exemption need to have either the first dose of Pfizer or Moderna or the single dose of Johnson & Johnson by November 24. If you don't have the exemption, you have to have proof of the second dose Pfizer or Moderna no later than December 23. And for adjunct faculty, it's really important that we get this out. They must show proof of vaccination upon re hire or submit a request for an exemption no less than two weeks before the start of the spring semester. Contact HR if you have any questions. Tomorrow is GIS day: they are having an event from 10am to 1pm.

Thursday is our 39th Annual Puerto Rico Discovery Day celebration from noon to 1:30 p.m. that's been sponsored by the Council on Hispanic affairs, Soar University advisement center

Andrew Bossie postponed his motion until the December meeting.

The meeting was adjourned by Dr. Fran Moran at 4:21 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by:

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Senate Secretary.