

Yeshiva University Manhattan Campuses Faculty Council
Beren Campus, Gottesman Boardroom
April 26, 2013, 10 A.M.
Minutes

Present: Paris Baldacci, Joan Beder, Gabriel Cwilich, Carl Feit, Jeffrey Freedman, Anatoly Frenkel, Paula Geyh, Malvina Halberstam, Dennis Hoover, Jesse Itzkowitz, Joanne Jacobson, William Lee, Nora Nachumi, Aliza Rotenstein, Daniel Rynhold, William Stenhouse, Charles Swencionis, Melanie Wadkins, Lynn Wishart, Marnin Young; Provost Mort Lowengrub; Vice Provost Larry Schiffman, guest

Moved by C. Feit and seconded to accept the Faculty Council minutes from the meeting of February 15, 2013. Motion carried.

Moved by J. Beder and seconded to amend section 7.1 of the Faculty Council By-laws to include the Secretary as a member of the Executive Committee as follows:

Membership. The Executive Committee shall include the Speaker, Vice-Speaker, Secretary and one Faculty Council Representative from each undergraduate and graduate faculty body not already represented by the Speaker, Vice-Speaker, or Secretary. Each faculty body may decide how to elect or appoint its Executive Committee Member.

Motion carried.

Faculty participation in three newly forming committees, the “Josh Joseph” Committee, Provost Search Committee and Tenure Review Committee, was discussed. Members of the Executive Committee along with other faculty, deans and administrators will meet with Josh Joseph on May 3. The Faculty Council elected Nancy Beckerman, Anatoly Frankel and Joanne Jacobson as faculty representatives to the Provost Search Committee through electronic balloting concluded on March 1. Nominations for the Tenure Review Committee should be submitted to L. Wishart.

P. Geyh reported on the results of the Survey of Yeshiva University Faculty on Faculty Retirement Plans and Benefits. The Survey collected 128 responses from tenured, tenure-track and clinical faculty during the period April 10-23, 2013.

J. Beder reminded Representatives to be thinking of nominees for the positions of Vice-Speaker and Secretary prior to their election at the first Faculty Council meeting in the fall.

M. Lowengrub and L. Schiffman joined the meeting at 12:10 pm. The Provost suggested that the Faculty Council make a presentation to the Academic Affairs Committee of the Board of Trustees. The Faculty Council reconvened in Executive Session at 1:25 pm.

Moved by P. Geyh and seconded to make the results of the Survey of Yeshiva University Faculty on Faculty Retirement Plans and Benefits public after sub-committee review of its executive summary. Motion carried.

Moved by C. Swencionis and seconded that a small group of Faculty Council Representatives meet with President Joel to discuss immediate concerns over faculty compensation. Motion carried.

The meeting was adjourned at 1:45 pm.

Minutes submitted by L. Wishart, Secretary