

Yeshiva University Manhattan Campuses Faculty Council  
Brookdale Center, Room 211  
November 22, 2013, 11 A.M.  
Minutes

Present: Paris Baldacci, Joan Beder, Gabriel Cwilich, Carl Feit, Anatoly Frenkel (Skype), Paula Geyh, Malvina Halberstam, Miriam Hirsch, Marina Holz, William Lee, Nora Nachumi, Daniel Rynhold, William Stenhouse, Charles Swencionis, Lynn Wishart, Marnin Young; Vice Provost for Teaching and Learning Scott Goldberg, Senior Vice President Josh Joseph, Provost Mort Lowengrub, Presidential Projects and Government Relations Manager Allison Rubin, guests

S. Goldberg gave an overview of the plans for and current status of YU Global, an initiative for online education.

Moved by W. Stenhouse and seconded to limit discussion to 10 minutes on each topic and to extend debate only when agreed to by a simple majority vote of those present. Motion carried.

Moved by W. Stenhouse and seconded to accept the Faculty Council minutes from the meeting of October 4, 2013. Motion carried.

J. Joseph spoke about the financial complexities facing the University. He spoke about the University's financial priorities: focusing on gaining liquidity in the short term, controlling the deficit in the medium term, and planning and implementing strategic and structural reorganization for the long term.

The Council moved into executive session at 1:20 PM.

Moved by W. Stenhouse and seconded that the Faculty Council send a letter to its respective faculties expressing the Faculty Council's response to President Joel's letter of November 20, 2013. Motion carried.

Moved by J. Beder and seconded that W. Stenhouse prepare the initial draft of the letter on behalf of the Faculty Council and circulate it to the Council for review. Motion carried.

Moved by N. Nachumi and seconded that the letter prepared for distribution to the faculty be copied to the Board of Trustees, the President, the Provost, the Senior Vice President, the Deans and other administrators who serve on the joint faculty and administration committees formed in fall 2013. Motion carried.

An invitation will be extended to the Einstein Faculty Senate to send a representative to attend an upcoming meeting of the Faculty Council.

Moved by J. Beder and seconded that the retirement report be posted on the Faculty Council web page and distributed directly to the Deans and to upper level administrators. Motion carried.

The meeting adjourned at 2:25 P.M.

Minutes submitted by L. Wishart, Secretary