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4 **PRESENT:** Aktan, Alon, Andreopoulos, Bernstein, Bhat, Bliss, Broome, Chabayta, Colley (for McNeal),
5 Collins (for Maganuco), Cunningham, D’Haem, Diamond, Dinan, Duffy, Ellis, Falk-Romaine, Finnegan, Furst,
6 Gazillo-Diaz, Harris, Kearney, Kim, Kothandaram, Ku, Lee, Levitan, Makarec, McNeal, Natrajan, Nyaboga,
7 Nyamwange, Pavese, Perez, Rosar, Sabogal, Sandmann, Schwartz, Sheffield, Slaymaker, Smith, Snyder,
8 Swanson, Tardi, Verdicchio, Wagner, Waldron, Wallace, Wicke

9 **ABSENT:** Martus, Steinhart

10 **GUESTS:** Bolyai, Brillante, Burns, Cammarata, Cho, Ciliberti, Cohen, Corsetto, Daniel-Robinson, Diaz, Feola,
11 Figueroa, Fuller-Stanley, Godar, Goldstein, Gordon, Hahn, Liautaud, Meyer, Moore, Mulrine, Nauta,
12 O’Donnell, Olaye, Ranjan, Richardson, Robb, Rosenberg, Rosengart, Schneider, Seal, Tiernan, Trelisky,
13 Urgolo Huckvale, Williams, Wolf, Yoo, Yucel, Zeller

14 **PRELIMINARIES:** Chairperson Levitan called the Senate to order at 12:32 pm. Dinan and Wicke
15 moved acceptance of the Agenda, which was approved unanimously.

16 Due to illness, Secretary Martus was unable to provide the draft minutes of the February 11, 2014
17 meeting. They will be available for approval at the next Senate meeting.

18 **CHAIR’S REPORT:** Levitan announced that the last meeting of the current Senate, which will be
19 held at the Valley Road Building on Tuesday, April 22nd, will be a closed Faculty and Professional
20 Staff Meeting to discuss the Administrative Evaluations. The AFT and the Senate are working together
21 to discuss and present the academic implications and terms and conditions aspects of the recently
22 enacted tenure reform bill. The new University website will go live in March. Each department must
23 have a webmaster to update its page. Yuri Marder will assist. In response to Lee’s question, Goldstein
24 assured the body that departments will be notified in advance and that no content would be lost.

25 **VICE-CHAIR’S REPORT:** Dinan announced that the Graduate Policies Forum would be held on
26 March 27th in UC 211. The topic will be quality online programs. The annual lunch for the chairs of
27 the various councils has been rescheduled for Thursday, April 17th in UC 211.

28 **GOVERNANCE COUNCIL RESOLUTION: EMERITA STATUS FOR SARA NALLE:**

29 Malu read the Governance Council’s resolution, which was seconded by Dinan. Finnegan, Snyder,
30 Robb, O’Donnell and Cho each spoke warmly about Nalle’s internationally acclaimed scholarship and
31 teaching. The resolution was approved unanimously.

32 **GRADUATE POLICY COUNCIL: MASTER OF EDUCATION IN SPECIAL EDUCATION:**

33 **ADVANCED STUDIES:** Duffy and Verdicchio move acceptance of the proposal, which was
34 presented to the body by Yoo, Yucel and Urgolo Huckvale. Nyaboga noted an error in the budget,
35 which will be corrected. Kim asked about the prevalence of autism and was told that 1 in 49 children
36 is diagnosed with the disorder. Lee asked about other programs and was told that Montclair and
37 Caldwell have programs with different emphases. Bhat urged cooperation with Communication
38 Disorders, which has an autism specialist. Pavese, D’Haem, Bliss, Trelisky, Slaymaker and Burns
39 commented. Finnegan returned to the budget issue, noting that guidelines are needed. Waldron agreed
40 and stated that programs will not be approved without realistic budgets. The program was approved
41 unanimously.

42 **RESEARCH AND SCHOLARSHIP COUNCIL: IRB POLICY:** Duffy and Dinan moved
43 acceptance of the council’s proposal. Ranjan, Yoo, Figueroa and Williams outlined the changes and

44 differences from the previous IRB Policy. An extended discussion ensued regarding student research,
45 the needs and requirements of journalists, ART and other topics, with Lee, Kothandaraman, Diamond,
46 Bhat, Verdicchio, Tardi and Wicke asking questions. Williams clarified many points and stated that he
47 is always available for consultations. The revised IRB Policy was approved unanimously.

48 **TECHNOLOGY COUNCIL: ONLINE AND HYBRID POLICY:** Wagner and Duffy moved
49 acceptance of the revised policy. Wagner described how the Council has responded to previously
50 expressed concerns of the Senate, and noted that the now-standard Sloane Consortium documents
51 were used in framing the new policy. After Wicke and Sheffield asked questions, Tardi moved
52 (Sheffield seconded) to amend the policy at line 42 to add “and any other level of review as specified
53 in departmental by-laws.” Snyder, Tardi and Urgolo Huckvale began discussion on the amendment,
54 but with time running short, Duffy moved (Wicke seconded) to postpone further discussion until the
55 next Senate meeting. The motion was approved unanimously.

56 **ADJOURNMENT:** Upon Pavese and Ku’s motion, the Faculty Senate adjourned at 1:47 PM, with
57 one vote in dissent.

58 The next meeting of the Faculty Senate will be held on Tuesday, March 11th at 12:30 pm in Ballroom
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60 Respectfully submitted: Bill Duffy, Secretary pro tem

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