

THE COOPER UNION
MEETING OF THE FACULTY-STUDENT SENATE
Minutes
Regular meeting, February 28, 2017

PRESENT:

Faculty and Library Representatives:, Julie Castelluzzo (Secretary),
Atina Grossmann, Sam Keene (Vice-Chair), Stan Mintchev (Chair),
Sohnya Sayres, Tamar Zinguer.

Student Representatives: Jacob Jackmauh, Maya Krtic, Parker Limon,
Kiersten Mercado, Jeremiah Pratt, Romaniya Voloshchuk.

Ex-Officio Members: Dean William Germano, Associate Dean
Stamatina Gregory, Library Director Carol Salomon, President Laura
Sparks, Acting Dean Richard Stock.

Guests: CUFCT President Peter Buckley, Dean of Students Chris
Chamberlin, CUOP President Maren Stange.

The third regular meeting of the 2016-2017 academic year was held
on Tuesday, February 28, 2017 in room 504, 41 Cooper Square. A
quorum being present, the meeting was called to order at 12:11 p.m.
The minutes of the previous meeting (held on November 29, 2016)
were read and approved as corrected.

FEBRUARY 13, 2017 PIONEER ARTICLE, "CLOSING THE
ENGINEERING GENDER GAP AT COOPER."

The membership briefly discussed this article by engineering student
Brandon Quinere (CE '19), viewable online at
<http://pioneer.cooper.edu/2017/02/13/closing-engineering-gender-gap-cooper/>

REPORT FROM THE SUBCOMMITTEE

Sam Keene gave a progress report on the work of the subcommittee on sexual harassment, whose members are Atina Grossmann, Sam Keene (Chair), and Romaniya Voloshchuk. As the subcommittee is still active, a final report with recommendations is to be completed for the next Senate meeting on April 4, 2017.

BRIEF UPDATE ON REVISIONS TO THE MISSION STATEMENT

Discussion included distinctions between the work of the Mission committee chaired by Peter Buckley, of which Sam Keene is a member, and the Middle States working group on Mission and Vision, which is chaired by Sam Keene. President Sparks commented on the processes currently underway and planned for the next 9 to 12 months.

ACADEMIC INTEGRITY

Stan Mintchev gave an account of recent events in the school of engineering related to issues of academic integrity, including meetings between the Engineering Students Council (ESC) and Acting Dean Richard Stock, and communications from the ESC regarding plagiarism and cheating during exams. The following discussion touched on the intrinsic value of ethical behavior as opposed to rules, ramifications, and punishments for breaches, and the lack of an institutional statement of values.

NEW BUSINESS

The subject of sanctuary schools was brought up, but there was not enough time remaining for discussion.

The meeting adjourned at 1:55 p.m.

Julie Castelluzzo, Secretary