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Minutes for the Disability Issues Committee

Date and Time: May 13, 2020 / Meeting Call to Order: 3:45PM

Location: Zoom Conference

Presiding: Jorge Matos

Present: Julie Trachman, Raymond Perez, Biao Jiang, Elyse Zucker, America Rahimee (SGA), Somaya Nasher (SGA)

Absent: Andrew London, Fabian Wander, Elys Vasquez-Iscan, Sonia Maldonado

Guests: None

Minutes Prepared by: Jorge Matos

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| **TOPIC** | **DISCUSSION** | **DECISION / ACTION** |
| Call to Order | Greetings from Chair | Quorum count was taken. Seven voting members present  Meeting called to order at 3:45PM |
| Acceptance  of the agenda  Acceptance of the minutes | Motion was made to approve agenda with corrections  Motion was made to approve minutes from October 15, 2019 | Agenda approved  October minutes were approved |
| Chair’s Remarks | Announcement of CUNY Accessibility Conference May 21-29, 2020  Announcement of B Building 4th floor Lift report to Senate Meeting on May 21, 2020  Announcement of Senate Form for Committee Membership during Fall 2020 | N/A |
| **TOPIC** | **DISCUSSION** | **DECISION / ACTION** |
| Fourth floor lift  and Third floor renovation | Report back about final decision regarding fourth floor lift by Hostos Attn. Eugene Sohn, Esq. Lift repaired and keys for operation with Public Safety. New intercom installed. State Dormitory Authority will not alter renovation plans for additional accessibility on 3rd floor walkway between B-C buildings as proposed by committee. | Committee will continue to monitor fourth floor lift operability and accessibility to all concerned when classes resume on campus. |
| **TOPIC** | **DISCUSSION** | **DECISION / ACTION** |
| ARC Report on Online Transition During Shutdown | Eighty percent of 700+ students registered with ARC contacted by office for follow-up. Rest of students have yet to respond. Students report many tech problems, distance learning issues, dropping grades and social isolation. About third of students reported on plans to enroll during 2020 summer session. ARC profile recognition with administration rose due to inclusion in planning meetings. | ARC will continue follow-up with students and faculty about tech problems and other related issues. |
| Motion to adjourn meeting |  | Motion to adjourn meeting at 4:35PM accepted unanimously |

Next Meeting:

TBA during fall 2020 by Senate Committee on Committees.