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Minutes for the Disability Issues Committee

Date and Time: September 25, 2018 / Meeting call to order: 1:05PM

Location: Library Room A207E

Presiding: Jorge Matos, Elyse Zucker

Present: Oumar Diaby (SGA Rep), Biao Jiang, Andy London, Julie Trachman, Ray Perez, Fabian Wander, Julie Bencosme, Destini Mitchell Murray, Elys Vasquez-Iscan

Absent:

Guests: Stephanie Caban (CCSD@Hostos club President), Roberto Williams

Minutes Prepared by: Jorge Matos/Ray Perez

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| **TOPIC** | **DISCUSSION** | **DECISION / ACTION** |
| Call to Order | Greetings from Chair  | Quorum count was taken. Eleven voting members presentMeeting called to order at 1:05PM |
| **TOPIC** | **DISCUSSION** | **DECISION / ACTION** |
| Acceptance of Agenda | Motion was made to approve agenda | The agenda was approved |
| **TOPIC** | **DISCUSSION** | **DECISION / ACTION** |
| Destini Mitchell Murray (SGA accessibility committee update) | Creating an “inclusive athletics program” promoting accessibility in athletics at Hostos and CUNY. | Destini will work with ARC and the Disability Committee to open discussion on creating an inclusive athletics program here at Hostos. |
| **TOPIC** | **DISCUSSION** | **DECISION / ACTION** |
| Accessible Furniture in classroom. | It was reported that the number of students utilizing wheelchairs have grown and the need for accessible desks have to.  | 15 accessible tables have been ordered and we are awaiting delivery.  |
| **TOPIC** | **DISCUSSION** | **DECISION / ACTION** |
| Elections for Officers  | Elyse Zucker reported that she would have to take a leave of absence as co-chairA motion was made to nominate Julie Bencosme as co-chair | Motion to have Julie Bencosme as co-chair passes unanimously.Julie Bencosme accepts the nomination. |
| Accessibility campus walkthrough (focusing on physical barriers)  | The Disability Issues Committee directed by SGA discussed creating a list of Campus Accessibility Indicators. The goal of the discussion was to create systemic change for inclusion of people with disabilities on campus by taking a closer look at barriers to physical space on campus.  | A sub-committee will be created comprised of committee members, the office of diversity and compliance, facilities and Human Resources.  |
| **TOPIC**Changes in High School Diplomas | **DISCUSSION**It was reported that NYS diploma requirements have changed. These changes have caused an increase in the demand of students seeking accommodation on campus. As well as the need for professional development to help address students and faculty needs.  | **DECISION / ACTION**Members suggested including the topic of professional development and training as an agenda item for our next meeting.  |
| **TOPIC** | **DISCUSSION**  | **DECISION/ ACTION** |
| Bathroom accessibility concerns | It was mentioned that bathroom facilities although compliant are not accessible to students who utilize mobility devices.  | The committee will examine bathroom accessibility during scheduled walkthrough. |
| **TOPIC**  | **DISCUSSION**  | **DECISION/ ACTIOM** |
| Motion to adjourn meeting  |  | Motion to adjourn meeting at 2:04PM accepted unanimously |

Next Meeting:

Follow up items: