LEHMAN COLLEGE ACADEMIC FREEDOM COMMITTEE

Minutes of the Meeting Held on October 29, 2014, 3:30-4:30p.m., Carman Hall 201

The Academic Freedom Committee consists of the following members:

Faculty- Robert T. Valentine (History), Chair; Michael Buckley (Philosophy), Carmen Esteves (Languages & Literature), Sharon Freedberg (Health Sciences, administrative representative), Mario Gonzalez-Corzo (Economics & Business), Gaoyin Qian (Education); Peter Alexanderson (Economics & Business, UFS Academic Freedom Committee liaison)

Students- Denise Escano

Minutes of the Meeting

Michael Buckley, Denise Escano, Gaoyin Qian, and Robert T. Valentine attended the meeting held on Wednesday, October 29, 2014. Soraya Diaz was also present as a student guest.

Academic Freedom Committee Faculty Survey Update

We discussed the Academic Freedom Survey Results which had been compiled and the format to be used for presentation to the Lehman College Senate on December 10. The 16 questions comprising the survey will be consolidated and placed into a graph or pie-chart format by Professor Gonzalez-Corzo for his presentation to the senate during our committee report. We will also answer questions pertaining to the survey mechanism and its results. The survey results are attached to these minutes and will be posted on the Lehman College Senate webpage.

New Members

We were informed that Sharon Freedberg has been appointed by the President to be the administrative representative to the committee. Our new student representative, Denise Escano, attended the meeting and brought a guest. We welcome you both to the Academic Freedom Committee.

Next Meeting

Since it is imperative that we meet *before* December 1 (the date by which materials must be submitted for the December 10 meeting of the Lehman College Senate), we will have our next meeting on *Monday, November 24, 2014 at 3:30p.m., Carman 201.* Owing to conflicting schedules and Thanksgiving eve (Wednesday, November 26), that is the *only* time we can meet before December 1. The next Lehman College Senate meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, November 19, so time is fleeting!

Respectfully submitted, Robert T. Valentine, Chair