The meeting was called to order by Committee Vice Chair Fernando Ferrer at 6:54 p.m.

The following people were present:

**Committee Members:**
- Hon. Fernando Ferrer, Vice Chair
- Hon. Henry T. Berger
- Hon. Charles A. Shorter
- Prof. Martin Burke, faculty member
- Mr. Wali Ullah, student member (joined @ 6:58 p.m.)
- President William J. Fritz, COP Liaison

**University Staff:**
- Executive Vice Chancellor and University Provost Vita Rabinowitz

**Trustee Staff:**
- Senior Advisor to the Chancellor and Secretary of the Board Gayle M. Horwitz
- Assistant Secretary Towanda Lewis
- Ms. Adalina Quinones

### Cal. No. DISPOSITION

The agenda items were considered and acted upon in the following order:

**I. ACTION ITEMS:**

**A. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF FEBRUARY 26, 2018.** Moved by Trustee Henry Berger and seconded by Trustee Charles Shorter, the minutes were unanimously approved as submitted.

**B. POLICY CALENDAR**

1. **City College - Honorary Degrees.**
   - Anita Hill, Professor of Law, Social Policy and Women's Studies, Brandeis University
   - Doctor of Humane Letters
   - Seymour Moskowitz '54, Co-Founder and retired President, CoVant Management, Inc. and College Benefactor
   - Doctor of Science

   Executive Vice Chancellor and University Provost (EVC&UP) Vita Rabinowitz highlighted the career successes of Anita Hill and Seymour Moskowitz as City College recommends their candidacy to receive an honorary degree, noting that Anita Hill is University Professor of Law, Public Policy and Women's Studies at the Heller Graduate School of Policy and Management at Brandeis University, and Seymour Moskowitz is a distinguished alumnus of The City College of New York, class of 1954 with a degree in Mechanical Engineering.

2. **CUNY Graduate School of Public Health and Health Policy - Honorary Degree.**
   - Cecile Richards, President of the Planned Parenthood Federation of America
   - Doctor of Science

   EVC&UP Rabinowitz highlighted the career successes of Cecile Richards as the CUNY Graduate School of Public Health and Health Policy recommends her candidacy to receive an honorary degree, noting that as president of Planned Parenthood Federation of America and Planned Parenthood Action Fund, Ms. Richards leads a movement that
has worked for more than 100 years to build a healthier and safer world for women, young people, and marginalized communities.

3. **Medgar Evers College - Honorary Degree.**
   Deval Patrick, Managing Director of Bain Capital Double Impact, former Governor of Massachusetts
   Doctor of Laws

   EVC&UP Rabinowitz highlighted the career successes of Deval Patrick as Medgar Evers College recommends his candidacy to receive an honorary degree, noting that consistent with Medgar Evers College's mission of equal opportunity and social engagement, Mr. Patrick's work throughout his years of political service are an inspiration and prove him to be an instrumental voice in encouraging civic engagement and policy reform.

4. **Macaulay Honors College - Honorary Degree.**
   Christopher Hayes, Broadcast and Print Journalist
   Doctor of Humane Letters

   EVC&UP Rabinowitz highlighted the career successes of Christopher Hayes as Macaulay Honors College recommends his candidacy to receive an honorary degree, noting that he has brought to a wide and diverse audience his sharp analytical skills, deep investigation into current political and social issues, and commitment to equality of opportunity.

5. **The Graduate School and University Center - Honorary Degrees.**
   Neal Katyal, Law Professor and Lawyer specializing in National Security
   Doctor of Humane Letters
   Katharine Viner, Journalist, Playwright and Editor-in-Chief of *The Guardian*
   Doctor of Humane Letters

   EVC&UP Rabinowitz highlighted the career successes of Neal Katyal and Katharine Viner as the Graduate School and University Center recommends their candidacy to receive an honorary degree, noting that Neal Katyal is the former Acting Solicitor General of the United States, the Paul and Patricia Sanders Professor of National Security Law at Georgetown University Law Center, and a partner at Hogan Lovells, and Katharine Viner, internationally prominent journalist, is the first female editor-in-chief of the Guardian, a position she has held since June 2015.

   Moved by Committee Vice Chair Ferrer and seconded by Trustee Berger, and following discussion, items I.B.1 through I.B.5 were unanimously approved for submission to the Board.

6. **Queensborough Community College – AS in Film and Media Production.** EVC&UP Rabinowitz stated that this program, which leads to both direct employment and transfers seamlessly to Brooklyn College, will prepare students for careers in the growing fields of film and television production. There are currently 52 television series on a wide variety of platforms being shot in New York City. This combined with films and other projects such as advertising and game design provide significant employment opportunities for graduates in many fields. This program was designed in part, launched by a $30,000 grant from the New York State Department of Labor.

   Prof. Martin Burke expressed his approval of the proposal.

7. **Queensborough Community College – AA in Psychology.** EVC&UP Rabinowitz stated that psychology is one of the most popular undergraduate majors in the United States.
Many students at Queensborough Community College already pursue the study of this field. This program will allow the College to better identify these students early on in their college careers and provide better advising to psychology students. The curriculum has been structured to comply with both the CUNY Psychology Gateway Course initiative as well as with the recommendations of the American Psychological Association. An articulation agreement has already been signed with York College and others, which is in the same borough, are being pursued.

Trustee Shorter requested additional information regarding the articulation agreement in terms of the number of students in the program.

Moved by Committee Vice Chair Ferrer and seconded by Trustee Shorter, and following discussion, items I.B.6 and I.B.7 were unanimously approved for submission to the Board.

8. Queens College – MS in ED in Early Childhood Special Education and Bilingual Education. EVC&UP Rabinowitz stated that data shows that early intervention agencies and the New York City Department of Education increasingly seek to hire dually certified teacher candidates, such as those certified in early childhood special education and bilingual education. If approved, Queens College will be the first institution in the New York metropolitan area that offers a fully integrated interdisciplinary program at the early childhood (birth to 2nd grade) level. The proposed 43-credit program will attract candidates from Queens College's undergraduate childhood education program, as well as other undergraduate teacher preparation programs in the region.

Prof. Burke inquired about the role of adjunct faculty in the Master of Science in Education program as well as faculty hire.

Moved by Committee Vice Chair Ferrer and seconded by Trustee Berger, and following discussion, the item was unanimously approved for submission to the Board.

9. Medgar Evers and York Colleges – Establishing New Start-Up NY Initiatives. EVC&UP Rabinowitz stated that Pienso is the leading machine learning platform for non-programmers. Medgar Evers College’s (MEC) partnership with Pienso will provide the College with student mentors, internships, and post-graduate employment opportunities as well as faculty research collaborators. iHealthscreen is a medical technology company seeking to develop and commercialize screening systems for a wide range of medical conditions. York College’s partnership with iHealthscreen will provide the college with student mentors, philanthropic support, faculty engagement and post-graduation student employment.

Trustee Shorter inquired about the number of jobs that will be formed through MEC’s partnership with Pienso in the first five years.

Moved by Committee Vice Chair Ferrer and seconded by Trustee Berger, and following discussion, the item was unanimously approved for submission to the Board.

10. City College – Restructuring of the School of Education. EVC&UP Rabinowitz stated that the proposed new departments, (1) Leadership and Human Development and (2) Curriculum and Instruction are relatively equal in size in regard to number of faculty, number of students and number of programs. There are opportunities for collaboration among existing programs and opportunities for the development of new programs to maintain or increase enrollment in this reorganization. There are no additional cost associated with departmental reorganization.

Trustee Berger inquired about faculty involvement and approval of the reorganization.
Committee Vice Chair Ferrer further inquired about fiscal and personnel consequences of the reorganization.

Moved by Trustee Berger and seconded by Committee Vice Chair Ferrer, and following discussion, the item was unanimously approved for submission to the Board.

II. INFORMATION ITEM:

1. CUNY Graduate School of Public Health and Health Policy – Establishment of The Center for Immigrant, Refugee and Global Health. EVC&UP Rabinowitz stated that the mission of the Center is to advance scholarship, practice and understanding of the transnational policies, programs, institutions and ethos that influence global health.

A discussion about the Center followed, including the number of anticipated students, faculty composition and structure, CUNY resources, and growth formation.

Committee Vice Chair Ferrer moved to adjourn the meeting. The motion was seconded by Trustee Shorter and the meeting was adjourned at 7:24 p.m.