The meeting was called to order by Committee Chair Lorraine A. Cortés-Vázquez at 3:29 p.m.

The following people were present:

**Committee Members:**
- Hon. Lorraine A. Cortés-Vázquez, Chair
- Hon. Ken Sunshine, Vice Chair
- Hon. Kevin Kim
- Hon. Michael Arvanites
- Prof. Michael Barnhart, faculty member
- Ms. Francesca Royal, student member

**University Staff:**
- Chancellor James B. Milliken
- Executive Vice Chancellor & University Provost Vita Rabinowitz
- Vice Chancellor Gloriana Waters
- University Dean for Recruitment and Diversity Arlene Torres

**Trustee Observer:**
- Hon. Chika Onyejiukwa (joined @ 4:05 p.m.)

**Trustee Staff:**
- General Counsel and Vice Chancellor Loretta P. Martinez
- Deputy Secretary Anne Fenton
- Ms. Fenella Ramsami

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

I. **ACTION ITEMS:**

A. **APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF JUNE 7, 2017.** Moved by Prof. Michael Barnhart and seconded by Committee Vice Chair Ken Sunshine, the minutes were approved as submitted. Committee Chair Cortés-Vázquez, Trustee Michael Arvanites, Prof. Michael Barnhart, and Ms. Francesca Royal abstained.

B. **POLICY CALENDAR**

   1. **Revised Pre-Tenure Review Policy.** General Counsel and Vice Chancellor (GC&VC) Loretta Martinez stated that this policy is consistent with similar policies around higher education in the country, wherein faculty members have an opportunity midway through their tenure clock to learn if there are issues or deficiencies that they need to remedy so that there are no surprises during the actual tenure review. She further stated that the policy spent a few years in discussions with relevant labor organizations to ensure that there was a clear understanding of the policy, noting all CUNY colleges have implemented the Pre-Tenure Review Policy.

   Senior Associate General Counsel Katherine Raymond highlighted the key changes to the Revised Pre-Tenure Review Policy, noting procedural concerns.

   Moved by Prof. Barnhart and seconded by Trustee Arvanites, and following discussion, the item was unanimously approved for submission to the Board.

   2. **Amendments to the Governance Plan of The CUNY School of Law.** Senior Litigation Counsel Hilary Klein stated that the proposed changes to the Governance Plan of The
CUNY School of Law is a technical amendment to ensure that any reference to Queens College is deleted from the plan.

Moved by Prof. Barnhart and seconded by Trustee Arvanites, and following discussion, the item was unanimously approved for submission to the Board.

3. Adoption of New Governance Plan for Guttman Community College. Senior Litigation Counsel Klein stated that initially when Guttman Community College, formerly known as “The New Community College” was a brand new college it operated under an interim plan, noting the proposed new Governance Plan replaces the interim plan based upon the development and growth of Guttman Community College. She added that students were consulted and the plan passed through the College Council.

Moved by Prof. Barnhart and seconded by Trustee Kevin Kim, and following discussion, the item was unanimously approved for submission to the Board.

4. Amendment to Article 6.1 of the Bylaws. Vice Chancellor Gloriana Waters stated that this resolution amends article VI of the Bylaws to establish a new instructional title, Assistant Vice Chancellor, effective July 1, 2017. This title was included in the list of Executive Compensation Plan titles in a resolution that was presented to and approved by the Board in June of 2017. The adoption of a new instructional title requires an amendment to Article VI of the Bylaws. She further asked that the Board waive the requirement that notice of this amendment be provided at a meeting preceding the meeting at which it is voted on in order to make this new title available as soon as possible.

Moved by Prof. Barnhart and seconded by Trustee Kim, and following discussion, the item was unanimously approved for submission to the Board.

5. Naming of The Raymond Erickson Music Reference Collection at Queens College. Vice Chancellor Waters stated that Dr. Raymond Erickson is a long-time faculty member of Queens College, and he was the founding director of the Aaron Copland School of Music. Since 1989, he has also been a loyal financial supporter of the college. In 2016, he pledged $100,000 to endow a fund to benefit the Copland School’s music reference collection. In recognition of his service and generosity, the college requests approval to name The Raymond Erickson Music Reference Collection in perpetuity.

Trustees Kim and Arvanites expressed concern about the naming rights standards, including the amount for recognition.

Moved by Prof. Barnhart and seconded by Trustee Arvanites, and following discussion, the item was unanimously approved for submission to the Board.

6. Naming of the Mary E. O’Connor Conference Room at Queens College. Vice Chancellor Waters stated that Mary E. O’Connor was a dedicated and generous alumna of Queens College who gave regular annual gifts during her lifetime of more than $24,000. Ms. O’Connor, who passed away in 2016, left sixty percent of her estate to the Queens College Foundation to create a permanent endowed fund, the income of which will be used to provide scholarships to students who major in economics and/or business administration at Queen's College. To date, the college has received $3.6 million dollars from Ms. O’Connor's trust to fund the endowment. In recognition of her generosity, the college requests approval to name the Mary E. O’Connor Conference Room in Powdermaker Hall, which is near the economics department.
Moved by Prof. Barnhart and seconded by Trustee Arvanites, and following discussion, the item was unanimously approved for submission to the Board.

7. **Naming of the Leonard Tow Chair for Journalism Innovation at the CUNY Graduate School of Journalism.** Vice Chancellor Waters stated that Leonard Tow, a Brooklyn College graduate, has been an extraordinarily generous supporter of public higher education and The City University of New York. In 2008, he gave $3 million to CUNY Graduate School of Journalism to launch the Tow-Knight Center for Entrepreneurial Journalism. Over the past nine years, his family foundation has pledged an additional $7 million to the school. This past July, the Tow Foundation pledged another $1.5 million to support outstanding faculty in the field of journalistic innovation. In recognition of Mr. Tow's generosity, the CUNY Graduate School of Journalism requests the naming of the Leonard Tow Chair for Journalism Innovation.

Moved by Prof. Barnhart and seconded by Trustee Arvanites, and following discussion, the item was unanimously approved for submission to the Board.

C. **CHANCELLOR’S UNIVERSITY REPORT**

1. **Appointment of Laurie F. Dorf as Vice President for Institutional Advancement/Alumni Relations at Queens College.**

2. **Appointment of Laura Ginn as Vice President for Policy and Strategic Initiatives at John Jay College of Criminal Justice.**

3. **Appointment of Wendy J. Thornton as Interim Vice President of Student Affairs at The City College of New York.**

Moved by Trustee Arvanites and seconded by Trustee Kim, and following discussion, items I.C.1 through I.C.3 were unanimously approved for submission to the Board.

II. **INFORMATION ITEMS**

*Reappointment with Early Tenure pursuant to §6.2.b.(2) of the Bylaws.*

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III. **QUARTERLY STAFF DIVERSITY REPORT**

University Dean Arlene Torres provided a status report on the CUNY workforce to provide a better sense of some of the changes that have occurred system-wide, including the CUNY campuses and the Central Office.

See attached presentation on the Quarterly Report on Staff Diversity by University Dean Torres.
Committee Chair Cortés-Vázquez encouraged Committee members to submit questions and data of desegregation to the Office of Recruitment and Diversity prior to the presentation of the next quarterly report.

Upon motion duly made by Trustee Arvanites and seconded by Trustee Kim, the meeting was adjourned at 4:07 p.m.