

SCHOOL OF BUSINESS CURRICULUM COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES
January 25, 2016

Members present: Fiona Maclachlan (Chair), Salwa Ammar (Dean), Ahmed Goma, Hany Guirguis (Chair, Economics and Finance), Hyeon Park, Fengyun Wu, Poonam Arora, Yassir Samra, Mary Michel, Rhonda Schuler (Academic Advisor) and Musa J. Jafar (the clerk)

Excused:

- 1- The chair of the committee, Fiona Maclachlan, called the meeting to order at 12:05 PM.
- 2- The Agenda of the meeting was approved.
- 3- The meeting minutes from the October 5th of 2016 were approved.
- 4- Professor Maclachlan informed the committee that the coordinator of Business Math (from the Math department) will be invited to the next meeting to discuss business Math issues.
- 5- Professor Maclachlan updated the committee on a Manhattan College's initiative to introduce an Associates Degree in professional studies. Questions were asked, concerns were raised, and opinions were cast about the admission requirements as compared to the 4-years degree admission requirements, the fit of such programs and their horizon. How do such program contribute and fit into College's mission, the overlap of role of community colleges, will international students be accepted into the associate's degree program, etc. Members of the Deans' Council, as well as members of the Educational Affairs Committee present at the meeting indicated that the issue was neither presented to their council nor to their committee. During the discussion, Dr. Ammar informed the attendees that the College is approved by the State to offer Associates Degrees. Faculty asked many questions about the impact(s) of such a degree.
- 6- Professor Michel presented the case for business ethics and her concern of the level of coverage in the College's core curriculum. Professor Michel proposed having a discussion with the School of Liberal Arts to evaluate the extent to which business ethics is covered or can be incorporated into the College's core Philosophy course(s)
- 7- Professor Michel also presented a proposal to change the course title and course catalog description for Acct-409 and Acct-410 so it is reflective of the contemporary topics covered in the course. Professor Goma and Professor Michel provided background information, extensively elaborated on the driver and explained the reasons as to why such changes are needed, if not overdue. The committee unanimously approved the proposed changes to the two courses.
- 8- Dean Ammar lead the discussion on the Mapping of Manhattan College's 9-core Competencies and their progressive mastery levels (Introduced, Reinforced, Practiced and Met) into the various courses of the School of Business. The appropriate courses where the different mastery level should have be achieved were identified.

The meeting was adjourned 2-bits after 1:00 pm

Minutes Taken and Submitted by Musa J. Jafar