# Queensborough Community College Academic Senate Committee on Bylaws Wednesday, February 14, 2018, 1 pm, Library 224

**Present:** Susan Jacobowitz (Chair), Liza Larios (President's Liaison), Shahadat Hossain, Richard Micieli, Sebastian Murolo, Margaret Stroehlein (Secretary), Mabely Salvador (student rep)

**Discussion group**: Joel Kuszai(English), Belle Birchfield(ET), Gisela Rivera (Student Act), Jeremy Wahl (SGA, VP for part time students), Michael Betanwar (SGA Parliamentarian), Sarah Aguirre (SGA Executive Vice President), and Mabely Salvador (SGA President)

**Absent:** Michael Altimari, Jeanne Galvin

### Minutes

The current agenda was approved.

The minutes of the previous meeting were approved (November).

# Discussion with representatives of the Student Government, the Steering Committee and Faculty

Detailed and lengthy discussion was held regarding the keeping of records in the minutes of Academic Senate Meetings. Current practice is that senate votes are recorded and the minutes note those who vote in the negative or who abstain. This is keeping with our Bylaws Section 8 Record of Final Votes. Concerns were brought forward by student government and faculty regarding the lack of anonymity and the personal exposure on the internet with posting of minutes to website. Discussion included other options for voting such as the use of clickers and or to use titles instead of names. The bylaws committee will further research the history of the bylaws decision to record votes. It was also suggested by faculty to take this matter to the floor of the senate. Liza Larios will communicate with legal and seek their advice on the matter. The March bylaws meeting will continue with this discussion and how to proceed next.

## Set date, time, location of next meeting

Wednesday, March 21, 2018, at 1pm, location LB 224

#### Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 2:10 pm.