Governing Council Attendees:
Elizabeth Alsop
Kathleen Barker
Mariette Bates
Sonia Grout DeBeaufort
David Halle
Eda Henao
Ellen Karl
Edwin Knox
Emmanuel Egbe
Carla Marquez-Lewis
Patricia Mathews-Salazar
John Mogulescu
Natasha Nurse
Arthur O’Connor
Bonnie Oglensky
David Olan
Marge Reilly
Jeanneth Sangurima-Quiles
Lisa Sheridan
Anne Simmons
Jennifer Sparrow
Ashleigh Thompson
Christopher Vine
Shakima Williams-Jones

SPS Staff:
Washington Hernandez
Lia Kudless
Jennifer G. Lee
Tracy Meade
Abi Morrison
George Otte

I. Welcome and Introductions

J. Mogulescu began the March 7, 2019 CUNY School of Professional Studies (CUNY SPS) Governing Council meeting by updating the Council regarding:
• The Chancellor transition

• NYS Budget/CUNY Budget

• New Governance Plan (approved FSA; full board March 18th; Public Hearing this coming Monday March 11th)

• Museum Studies Degree passed BOT; waiting at NYSED

• Institute for Retired Professionals @ SPS

• New Executive Director of PEWL – Amy Perez

• New Foundation Board Chair - Blake Foote

• US News & World Report – CUNY SPS Ranked 15 out of 367 Best Online Bachelor’s Degree Programs

• CAT Youth Theatre Production – “Blood” – was excellent as always

II. Approval of Governing Council Minutes

J. Mogulescu called for a motion (O’Connor) and second (Vine) to vote on the approval of the minutes of the December 6, 2018 Governing Council meeting. All members present approved the minutes.

III. Nursing items (voting)

J. Mogulescu introduced Marge Reilly, who presented:

a. Course change - NURS 451
b. Course change - NURS 622
c. Course change - NURS 623

J. Mogulescu opened the floor for comments and questions regarding these course changes. Hearing none, he asked for a motion (Karl) and second (Simmons) to vote on these items. All members present voted yes. Marge Reilly then presented the following:
d. BS-MS progression/retention policy

J. Mogulescu opened the floor for comments and questions. J. Sparrow inquired regarding B passing grade. Answer: B passing grade applies as for other graduate programs. Discussion ensued regarding the grade and supports for students, and noting State consultation had taken place for standards. J. Mogulescu asked for a motion (Simmons) and second (Bates) to vote on the policy. All members present voted yes.
IV: Communication and Media Course change (voting)

J. Mogulescu introduced Elizabeth Alsop, who presented the course change:

a. Course change – CM 311

J. Mogulescu opened the floor for comments and questions. Hearing none, he called for a motion (Zeller-Berkman) and second (O’Connor) to vote on course change. All members present voted yes.

V. Liberal Studies Program change (voting)

J. Mogulescu introduced Elizabeth Alsop, who presented the program change.

J. Mogulescu opened the floor for comments and questions. Hearing none, he called for a motion (Sheridan) and second (Knox) to vote on course change. All members present voted yes.

VI. Psychology Course Changes (voting)

J. Mogulescu introduced Carla Marquez-Lewis, who presented the course changes:

a. Course change - PSY 698

J. Mogulescu opened the floor for comments and questions. Hearing none, he called for a motion (Bates) and second (O’Connor) to vote on course change. All members present voted yes

b. Course change - PSY 390

J. Mogulescu opened the floor for comments and questions. Hearing none, he called for a motion (Karl) and second (Zeller-Berkman) to vote on course change. All members present voted yes.

VII. Youth Studies Course Change (voting)

J. Mogulescu introduced Sarah Zeller-Berkman, who presented the course changes:

a. Course change – YS 605

J. Mogulescu opened the floor for comments and questions. Hearing none, he called for a motion (Vine) and second (Bates) to vote on course change. All members present voted yes

VIII. Report of the Senior Associate Dean for Academic Affairs

G. Otte reported about full-time faculty searches; retention and graduation data review; EAB implementation; and Credit for Prior Learning.
IX. Report of the Senior Associate Dean for Strategy and Innovation

T. Meade noted that:

- Amy Perez has been appointed Executive Director of Professional Education and Workplace Learning, following a comprehensive search
- The Strategic Planning process will begin in June
- New PEWL projects include those with the Department of Corrections, the Department of Homeless Services, and Con Edison
- Forthcoming projects may include: MOIA and Department of Social Services (beginning stages)

X. Report of the Associate Dean for Enrollment Management & Student Services

J. G. Lee reported the following:

- 48% increase in undergraduate applications (this will likely dip, as we are included in the university application)
- Summer/Fall 2019 registration opens Monday
- We have moved to 3/7/10-week summer sessions
- Financial Aid workshops were successfully run in February
- We are beginning to prepare for Commencement (May 29th)

IX: Report of the Associate Dean for Administration and Finance

W. Hernandez updated the Council regarding:

- University Budget – we are preparing for any PSC increases
- We are #1 in Collections in the University

X: Other Items

J. Mogulescu asked if there were any other items. Hearing none,

XI. Adjourn. J. Mogulescu thanked members of the Council for their time and support of CUNY SPS, and adjourned the meeting.