

**Instruction Committee Meeting
December 2, 2020**

Present: Jean Amaral, Andres Colapinto; Miguel Castro Nunes Fiolhais, Lisa A. Grace, Maureen H. Keenan, Michael J. McGee, Scott Tulloch, SGA representative Yama Faye

Chairperson Andres Colapinto brought the meeting to order, and minutes of November 4 meeting were approved.

Professor Ken Levinson, Chair of Academic Senate briefly joined the meeting to address any concerns the Instruction Committee members may have had regarding the two resolutions that did not pass. Stating that there were no parliamentary issues with the resolution itself. The need for Chairs and faculty to have shared goals was emphasized.

Yama Faye, SGA representative raised some questions regarding how and why the resolutions were proposed. Which was due to the trauma being experienced by students, faculty and staff. The future of the resolutions was discussed. Ms. Faye informed the committee that the Student Evaluation were already released on December 1, 2020 and closing on December 23, 2020. Which raised some concerns regarding the timing of the evaluations. Chairperson Andres Colapinto stated he would follow up with Dean Schultz and Acting Provost Wong.

Professors Amaral, Tulloch and Keenan agreed to draft a resolution to encourage trauma-informed practices throughout the BMCC community. The committee considered the possibility of including this concept in the Resilience, Health, and Wellness website, and what else students and faculty need to support effective instruction in the pandemic.

The committee will consider an event or writing a document in the spring semester to learn from the BMCC community their experience of what helped and what hindered effective instruction, and encourage folks to promote practices that are deemed helpful.

The committee discussed the Student Experience Survey, and plans to field test it in some form at the end of the fall 2020 semester, and midterm in the spring. The plan is to get feedback on the survey and bring it to a vote for the Academic Senate in the spring semester.

The meeting was adjourned at 4:01.

Respectfully submitted,
Michael McGee