Graduate Center of CUNY

Minutes Computer Science Executive Committee Meeting Friday April 1, 2016

Present: Robert Haralick (EO), Peter Brass (CCNY), Sven Dietrich (John Jay), Matthew Johnson (Lehman College), Lev Manovich (GC), Theodore Raphan (Brooklyn College), Ioannis Stamos (Hunter), Abdullah Tansel (Baruch College) Zhanyang Zhang (CSI), Allan Zelener (Student)

- Motion to approve agenda.
  - Motion passed Unanimous
- The minutes of February 26, 2016 meeting were approved
  - Motion Passed, 8 Yay, 1 Abstention

Announcements
- Admission Offer – 3 students turned down admission offers, 1 was accepted, 2 students from Mathematics Department, straight A average were admitted with tuition fellowship. After six weeks of discussion Provost Office they decided they cannot give them a Fellowship because they have five years in the Mathematics program. The students want to work with Professor Delaram Kahrobaei in Cryptography. The students must take the Computer Science required courses in the Fall and take the Algorithms course and exam. The idea is that at the end of the first semester they will advance to level II take the Second exam in the spring, and the Proposal at the end of the summer.
- Curriculum Committee – Set of Graduate courses were passed by the Graduate Council Meeting.
- Membership Committee – has met three times on Mondays. All Faculty with exception of two have returned the Accomplishment Survey. The Membership Committee decided to put all the data on a spreadsheet and design an evaluation measure to identify those faculty whose accomplishment surveys need to be looked at carefully. Budget cuts – are real, three courses were taken away from the Computer Science Program. Will have to revise our teaching policy and will not be able to support any faculty members teaching even once a year. Professor Haralick suggested a Doctoral Faculty meeting in May to discuss budget cuts.

Old business
- Algorithms Committee – a proposal was made for the Final Exam to be designed by the Professor of the class and the Second part of the exam designed by the Algorithms Committee. The second part of the exam would also be graded by the Algorithms Committee.
  1. Motion made for proposal
  2. Motion failed (7 Nay, 1 Abstention) Professor Raphan did not vote

- Governance – the following wording under Section 3.4 of Section 3 - Doctoral Student Meeting and Responsibilities was removed from the Governance: The Students with the most votes will be designated a chairperson. A vacancy of the chairperson seat shall be filled by the alternate in the election taking place at the first meeting of the students.
  1. Motion to approve April 1\textsuperscript{st} Governance with changes and remove the sentence under section 3.4
    - Motion approved Unanimous

New Business
- Bilal Khan – Professors Bilal Khan needs to be an Adjunct in order to continue helping his students finish. The students enrolled in the spring with Professor Khan as their advisor. The Membership Committee voted him to an Adjunct.
1. Motion was made for Professor Bilal Khan to remain as adjunct faculty
   - Motion Passed Unanimous

• Appeals – Student, Yuancheng Ye, failed the Algorithms exam two times, and by policy of the program he needs to be dismissed. His advisor wrote a strong letter of support.
  1. Motion was made for Yuancheng Ye to remain in PhD Program in Computer Science
     - Motion passed Unanimous

Motion to Adjourn Meeting – Motion Passed - Unanimous Vote.