SUMMARY OF THE FACULTY SENATORS COUNCIL MEETING OF SEPTEMBER 19, 2013

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- Executive Committee (EC) with Deputy President Diane Yu, Associate Provost Carol Morrow, and Chief of Staff to the President Richard Baum
  - University is in the process of developing the first set of guidelines regarding non-tenure track faculty (NTTF), which will serve as minimal standards each school must follow in terms of renewal, hiring, grievance, etc.
  - The Tisch School of the Arts developed interim Guidelines for Arts Professors: Appointments, Renewals, Promotions. The Personnel Policies and Tenure Modifications Committee is reviewing these guidelines and will present at the October FSC meeting.

- EC Meeting with President Sexton and Question Time at University Senate
  - At the EC Meeting with the President, the main discussion item was the status of tenure in the Global Network University.
  - The Senate Executive Committee met and discussed the memo from the Board of Trustees. Another meeting has been scheduled to discuss the issue of NTTF representation.
  - The "President’s Question Time" is on the agenda for the first University Senate meeting. The President asks each Council to submit up to two questions.

- University Committees
  - The EC nominated two FSC representatives to the Steinhardt Dean Search Committee: Senator Arvind Rajagopal and Alternate Senator Jennifer Hill.

- Committees and committee assignments
  - The changes to the FSC Committees were approved by consensus vote of the Council. These changes will be effect for the academic year and will be revisited at the May meeting.
  - The Administrative Issue Committee is renamed to the Administration & Technology Committee to include the additional focus on technology issues, such as Google +, online directories, social media policy, and massive open online course (MOOCs).
  - The Faculty Benefits & Housing Committees and the Personnel Policies & Tenure Modifications Committees were combined.

- Letter from the Special Committee of the NYU Board of Trustees (BOT)
  - The following resolution regarding the response to the Letter from BOT: Proposals and Plans on Governance, Voice, and Communications was approved:
    - With respect to the Letter to the University Community from the Special Committee of the Board of Trustees, dated August 14, 2013:
      - The Faculty Senators Council welcomes and appreciates the opportunity to establish a joint committee to facilitate direct and regular communication on university matters with the Board of Trustees. We note the Board's commitment to provide faculty with a clear role in the presidential search process. The FSC looks forward to working with the Board on these initiatives to realize the goal of shared governance at NYU.

- Non-tenure track faculty (NTTF) Representation
  - SCOG will send memos to each Council (AMC, SSC, FSC) to offer their ideas on representation of NTTF, including having a separate Council and the possible size and organization.
  - SCOG conducted a survey of NTTF last academic year asking if they want representation and if they wanted their own Council. There were complaints the survey was invalid because there was not an option to become part of the FSC. This was not listed as an option because the FSC already passed a resolution that stated NTTF should have their own Council, instead of being part of the FSC.
  - A letter will be sent from the Senate Executive Committee to all Deans asking each School to appoint members to a steering committee to implement the organization of NTTF representation.