Attendees:
Rebecca Botting- student CNY
Jim McMahon- HVAC
Kameylah Hakim- NFC (co-chair)
Debbie Kran-Fernandez- Metro
Deb McEligot- CNY
Melinda Wills-Stallings- student LIC
Jessie Ju Devore- student NEC
Kate Colberg- NEC (notetaker)
Rebecca Bonanno- CDL
Cindy Rybaltowski- CC
Raisa Penco-Poon- student Metro
Kymn Rutigliano- Grad
Joanna Meningoff- student nursing
Erin White- nursing
Pat Myers- Student Services
Sandra Barkevich- Grad student- co-chair
Lindsay Kolk- student GVC
Jamal Arabaty- NFC student
Donna Gaines- LIC
Wendy Fieser- student CDL

Minutes approved from last meeting.

Reports:

Student Engagement Committee
World Cafe today at StAC- share the structure with students (large group of people broken down into smaller groups to better facilitate discussion) and get info on how to engage students statewide

Student Leadership Committee
Absorbed Dept. of Labor group into this committee
Goal: Develop a college-wide student leadership institute
Researching other LI models
Brainstorming leadership ideas- What do our students needs to be effective leaders?, What would students participate in?

Student Newsletter News
70th issue being published
Struggling with materials for newsletter and finding reliable, competent writers
They have a high need for stellar writers!
***SAC members- take action - let your center know we need student writers***
Sandra will send a blurb to committee members to pass along to Centers.
5,000-9,000 readers/quarter
Sections of newsletter include
  - current news at College
  - feature article
  - social corner- movie reviews, book reviews
  - creative corner- photos, art work, poetry, etc.
  - academic showcase- paper, project, research students can share

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Student comments - information overload - centers have too much hanging in the center and things expire but are still left out for student viewing. It was suggested that students talk with someone at Centers who may be responsible for the bulletin boards.

**Senate**
By-laws revision submitted to include
  - a student alternate to SAC committee for each center,
  - have a different student rep on ITC that is not also on SAC so the student doesn’t miss conflicting meetings

A request was made for co-chairs to report at each meeting about specifics that are discussed at the Senate meeting that are relevant to SAC.

One thing discussed at Senate is the College implementing the “F” grade. Currently when a student does not receive credit for a course, that grade is not considered in GPA calculation. In fall 2015, “F” grades will be assigned and calculated in GPA. One potential action item for SAC in the future might be to implement an Honors Program now that GPA will be accurately calculated.

**Office of Collegwide Student Services**

*Student Academic Conference*
10th anniversary of StAC! 400 attendees expected this year- largest ever!  Danielle Boardman is organizing much of the conference this year.  Casey Kohler is co-host.  40 presentations are scheduled.  New this year: 65 slots will be available for mock-interviews for students.

Dinner/dance gala tonight.  Student activity fund provided more money this year.

Student Wellness retreat in the spring - workshops and events will focus on student health and wellness.  There will be a national known speaker. The health fair will be on Saturday.  99% of students from last year said they would come back!
Health and Wellness - Andy Binder has been traveling the state offering health and wellness workshops at Centers

We were reminded of Health 101- health email newsletter specifically for ESC students. Find in MyESC.

Student art competition - 3 winners, 3 honorable mentions. One plans to attend conference. An issue was brought up concerning how we determine the competition winner. Are judges looking for an all-around art winner or winning art work that can be printed as a poster suitable to be hung collegewide?

Discussion ensued as to whether whether art competition has the right goal. Is it a poster competition or an art competition? It was noted that all entries are suitable for being posters representative of the college, but may well be fine art samples.

A motion was made to have an art and poster competition in which the students can submit to one, or the other, or both. They should be judged by 2 different committees with separate awards. Supported and passed unanimously.

Alfred Ntoko is the new Provost overseeing Office of Collegewide Student Services. He’s considering hiring a Dean of Students.

New Business:

SUNY Student Assembly met last week. It's important that ESC is represented at the conference although many of the agenda items do not apply to ESC students. Lori Mould (ESC Alum) is the president of the SUNY Student Assembly. Once the Student Assembly makes recommendations, Lori brings the recommendations to the SUNY Board.

SALE survey post-course completion- students said they don’t fill them out because come at the busiest time and they shut off too soon.

Kymn was named Co-convenor of First Annual Global Conference on Crisis Leadership- 9/10-9/11/15 in Las Vegas, NV. Merodie Hancock will be a speaker. 9/10-9/11/16 the conference will be in NYC. Motion was made that we submit a budgetary request to student activity fee funds next year to send 2-3 students to the Global Conference on Crisis Leadership. Passed unanimously.

Student concern- fewer tutors in the LIC to support students. Pat will work with LIC to find out why. If needed, Kameylah and Sandra will take the concern to Senate to find out why.

New ESC student clubs were announced: 40+ and Fabulous is a new club at Metro. Business Leadership club at NFC and a Graduate Student Association was started at Grad.
Meeting adjorned.

**Suggested Leadership skills offered during introductions:**

- Ability to work well with others
- Organization
- Vision for change
- Passion
- Open to ideas- no groupthink
- Humor
- Straight talk- tell it like it is
- Boost moral
- Confidence
- Courage
- Empathy