Open Meeting of the Faculty-Student Senate

Title IX and Cooper Union's Policy on Misconduct Based Upon Sex

December 2, 2014
The Great Hall



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Resolution

"Due to growing student concerns regarding gender discrimination, sexual harassment, and sexual assault/violence, and recent changes to the Title IX law, the Faculty-Student Senate resolves to invite the Title IX officers and the Dean of Students to give a presentation to the community on these topics. This will take place in an open meeting of the Faculty-Student Senate."

Passed *Unanimously*

September 30, 2014

Organizers

Faculty-Student Senate Executive Committee

Daniel Lepek - Chair, Faculty-Student Senate

Julie Castelluzzo - Vice-Chair, Faculty Student Senate

Harrison Cullen - Secretary, Faculty Student Senate

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Bill Mea - Vice President for Finance and Administration

Ann Marie Gong - Human Resources Manager

Chris Chamberlin - Dean of Students

Title IX Specialist

Marjory Fisher, Esq. - Managing Director at T&M Protection Resources

Agenda

- I. Introductory Remarks (Senate Executive Committee)
- II. Title IX Policy: Historical Context (Marjory Fisher)
- III. Cooper Union's Policy on Misconduct Based Upon Sex (Bill Mea, Ann Marie Gong, Chris Chamberlin)
- IV. Case Studies (Marjory Fisher)
- V. Floor Open: Discussion / Question and Answer Session
- VI. Floor Closed: Discussion among Senate Membership

Historical Context

Title IX

Policy and Procedure Relating to Misconduct Based Upon Sex, Including Sexual Assault and Sexual Harassment

Title IX Policy

Defines and Covers

- Sexual harassment
- Sexual assault
- Domestic violence
- Dating violence
- Sexual exploitation
- Stalking
- Retaliation
- Intimidation
- Consent

Consent

Definition

• An active, knowing and voluntary exchange of affirmative words and/or actions, which indicate a willingness to participate in the activity. Consent must be freely and actively given; it cannot be obtained by coercive use of force, threats or intimidation.

- Incapacitation
- Force
- Coercion

Reports and Resources

- Medical Attention & Evidence Preservation
 - Beth Israel Medical Center
 - Bellevue Hospital
- How do I report an incident?
 - Title IX and Deputy Title IX Coordinators
 - titleix@cooper.edu
 - Privileged and Confidential Communications
 - Nicole Struensee, LCSW 646-734-6440 or nstruensee@earthlink.net
 - Non-Confidential (Responsible Employee)

Cooper Union Response

- Interim Measures
- Mediated Resolution
- Investigation and Adjudication
- Determination
- Appeal process
- Sanctions and Accommodation

Cooper Union Response

Initial Report of Incident

Evaluation of Incident

Interim Measures

Investigation

Outcomes and Appeals

Student Rights

- Rights of the Complainant
- Rights of the Accused Student

Training

- Student
- Faculty and Staff
- Ongoing

Case Studies

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Discussion

Question and Answer

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