Minutes of the Meeting  May 1, 1997
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GUESTS: P. Martinelli, G. Sanchez, F. Costello; E. Kish; R. Hernandez; C. Honda; A. Fuller; J. Morales; N. Ritze; J. Missick; M. Holden.

1. CALL TO ORDER  Chairperson Ruth Bass called the meeting to order at 2:55 p.m.

2. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA. The agenda was approved.

3. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES. The minutes were approved as read.

4. PRESIDENT'S REPORT. President Williams reported on new changes in staff: Ms. Mary Coleman has been named Vice President of Administration and Finance; Dr. Neil Grill has been named Acting Associate Dean of Academic Affairs; and Dean Evelyn Kish is now Dean of Enrollment Management. President Williams also announced that the searches for Vice President of Academic Affairs and the Chief Librarian were proceeding.

5. ANNOUNCEMENTS AND REPORTS.

A. Chairperson: Dr. Ruth Bass reported on matters of governance.

B. Deans

1. Acting Dean Alice Fuller announced that the memorial for Dean Carl Polowczyk will be held on Friday, May 16, 1997 from 10 a.m. to 12 noon.
A. ACADEMIC STANDING - Prof. P. Reed reported that the committee is still working on the clarification of the second degree and the grading policy.

B. ACTION ITEM: GOVERNANCE AND ELECTIONS - Dr. Witlieb announced that the Committee had approved an amendment to the Governance Plan which reads as follows:

Article I.D. of the Governance Plan of Bronx Community College shall be amended by adding a section 4, as follows:

If the Chairperson of the Senate is not available to serve in that office, the Vice Chairperson shall assume the office until the next scheduled meeting of the Senate. The Vice-Chairperson of the Senate shall preside over the next scheduled meeting of the Senate, at which an election shall be held for Chairperson of the Senate for the balance of the term. During this interim period, the Chairperson of the Faculty Council shall perform all functions from which a student may be excluded by reason of University practice or any provision of the Bronx Community College governance plan. If the Chairperson of the Faculty Council is also the Chairperson of the Senate, the Secretary of the Senate shall assume these functions.

B. CURRICULUM - Dr. Witlieb reported on actions of the committee which required a vote, and introduced first time items. (See attached.)

C. DEANS - No Report.

7 ACTION ITEMS

A. CURRICULUM COMMITTEE - It was moved and seconded to approve the items presented at the April and May meetings. It was approved by voice vote. (See attached)

B. GOVERNANCE AND ELECTIONS - The committee requested approval of the following amendment. It was decided to table the amendment until Fall 1997.
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8. NEW BUSINESS. None.

9. ADJOURNMENT - Chairperson Bass adjourned the meeting at 4:08 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Geraldynne Diallo,
Secretary, the College Senate