

BRONX COMMUNITY COLLEGE
of the City University of New York

Senate Minutes, 10/12/02

The College Senate:

Present: Nasser Abdellatif, Andrew Akinmoladum, Ruth Bass, Madeline Bates, Kathleen Berger, Vincent Bonelli, Thomas Brennan, Alba Cancetty, Mary Coleman, Diane D'Alessio, Marjorie Garrido, Paula Gilbert, Allan Glasser, Debra Gonsler, Ann Kelemen, Roman Kossak, Marcia Keizs, Howard I. Lepzelter, Charles Maliti, Donna Mangiante, Andrew McInerny, Franklin Moore, Mark Padnos, Ivan Petrovic, Marianne Pita, Rosemary Quinn, Phyllis Read, Nicholas Roldan, Christina Sassi-Lehner, Malcolm Schryer, Frank Sharpe, Henry Skinner, Martha Soto, Dagobert Suero, Howard Wach, Kathleen Williams.


Guests: Howard Clampman, John Davis, Alice P. Fuller, Bernard Gantt, McThaddeus Holden, Andre Hurni, Isabel Mirsky, Nadine Posner, Mary Rogan, Nancy Ritze, George Sanchez.

Excused: V.P. Scranton, President Williams

- I. The meeting was called to order at 12:20 by Dr. Ruth Bass.
- II. The agenda was approved.
- III. The minutes of September 12 were approved.
- IV. Report from Isabel Mirsky, Committee on Academic Standing: A motion to vote on the following three items at once was approved: 1) the elimination of the Semester Honors List; 2) the rewording of the F grade policy : F grades will be automatically removed from GPA's when students receive grades of C or better in the course; 3) the rewording of exemptions by actions of the Ad Hoc Committee on Exemptions: a course substitution must be approved by the Chairperson of the Department in which the required course is given. The motion carried unanimously by a voice vote.
- V. No report from the President.
- VI. No report from Vice President Keizs.
- VII. Dr Ruth Bass: A) A letter of invitation has been sent to the Chancellor. B) The Senate Executive Committee will vote for Auxiliary Enterprises and BCC, Inc. in November. Nominations should be submitted to Dr. Ruth Bass by October 30. 2 of the 4 nominees for BCC, Inc. and 3 of the 6 nominees for Auxiliary Enterprises voted by the committee will be elected by President Williams.
- VIII. Professor Phyllis Read, Faculty Council: A) The Committee on Higher Education will address the Faculty Council on October 17. B) A subcommittee will discuss the conflicts of days when City Schools are closed and CUNY is open.
- IX. Vice President Coleman, Budget Report: A) We will not know what the actual City Budget cuts will be until after November 7. B) An additional hour per week has been provided for adjuncts who teach six hours or more. The accounting for that hour will be reported at the end of the semester and signed by the Department Chairperson.

- X. Dean Bernard Gantt: A) Overall enrollment is up by approximately 5%. B) Changes in Spring 2003 Registration will include processing incoming students earlier and improved efficiency in the financial aid process. C) The Open House on October 17 was a success. In the future the orientation process will engage students more.
- XI. Committee Reports:
- A) Academic Standing: As of September 2003 all students must take the CPE as a graduation requirement. An appeals committee must exist to respond to students who do not pass the exam. The conditions on which appeals can be made and the determination of who sits on the Appeals Subcommittee will be discussed at the November Senate meeting for a vote.
 - B) Curriculum: Professor Howard Clampman was reelected as Chairperson and Dr. Simon Davis was reelected as Secretary of the Committee.
 - C) Governance and Elections: For the election of one seat on Faculty Council Charles Maliti, Theresa McMannus and Virginia Bernard have been nominated.
 - D) Instruction and Professional Development: Improvements on class rosters are in progress.
 - E) Space, Facilities and Physical Plant: The current focus is on security issues. The Child Development Center, the Library and the Center for Teaching Excellence projects are moving forward.
 - F) Student Activities: no report.
 - G) Student Government Association: Senate members were invited to the Officers Installation Ceremony, October 10, 5 p.m. Ideas for Multi-cultural Week are welcome.
 - H) University Faculty Senate: Professor Skinner reported that the chancellor did not attend the last meeting, but a representative did. The meeting addressed security in computer technology, campus emergency plans and the CUNY enrollment increase of 5.4%.
 - I) University Student Senate: Three students were elected from BCC: 1) Nicholas Roldan, Chairperson, Legislative Affairs, 2) Dagobert Suero, Vice-Chairperson, Community Affairs and 3) Carlos Sierra, Council President.
 - J) Vice-Presidents and Deans: no report.
- XII) The meeting was adjourned at 1:14 p.m. by Dr. Ruth Bass.

Respectfully submitted by,


Donna Mangiante, Secretary