BRONX COMMUNITY COLLEGE of the City University of New York
College Senate Minutes of May 1, 2003

The College Senate

Present: The College Senate attendance list of May 1 is unavailable. An additional attendance list, dated May 1, will be on the desk in front of the room today (September 4). Please sign it if you were present on May 1. Thank you for your cooperation.

1. The meeting was called to order at 12:25 p.m. by Dr. Ruth Bass.

2. A motion to change the agenda to move SGA Election results to #5 carried unanimously by a voice vote.

3. The minutes of April 3 were amended as follows: #7, line 2, should read May 7, not May 2.

4. President Williams: A) Presidential grants have been decided upon. Letters about decisions will go out next week. B) The search for Vice President of Student Development is in the final stages: of the 75 applicants, 10 have been determined as candidates. C) The renaming of Gould Tech is scheduled for May 9. D) Congratulations to Dr. Bass and the College Senate for a productive year.

5. Dr. Vincent Bonnell, SGA elections: 1,012 students participated in the elections. 15 senators were selected and from this group the executive officers will be elected and the government will be in place by May 31. The senators are: Carlos Alberto, Trina Asiedu, Everon Clarke, Marcos De Los Santos, Sandy Fernandez, Alejandro Gonzalez, Mohammed Khan, Edilberto Liumpo, Maurice McKnight, Chana Marquis, Shavonne Rambarran, Nicholas Roldan, Martha Soto, Carrie Walker, and Michael Witter.

6. Faculty Council: A) The College Foundation is self-sufficient. The one and one half employees engage in fund-raising activities and are not supported by foundation funds. Faculty members are invited to see the Foundation statement via Vice President Coleman. B) Faculty Council would like to get more adjunct participation in the Council and in the Senate.

7. Curriculum Committee Action Items: A motion to vote on all current items at once was approved and carried unanimously by a voice vote. A motion to accept the items was approved and carried unanimously by a voice vote.

8. Vice Presidents and Deans: A) V.P. Keize extended appreciation and commendations to all the committees. B) Dean Posner: Three articulation agreements are moving toward completion with the Curriculum committee. Everyone is invited to attend Gen Ed Forums. The next is Wednesday, May 7, 2 – 4 p.m. in PH 11. C) V.P. Coleman: The Legislature and Senate have voted to provide restitution to Community College budgets and to fully reinstate TAP, but these decisions could be vetoed by the Government. The College OTPS surplus has been invested in laptops, chairs and window treatments. D) V.P. Sanchez: The Foundation's Gala is scheduled for June 4. E) Dean Gant: Ms. Regina Tobin is working with Dr.
Gonsher in assigning counselors to Liberal Arts students. The names of these counselors will be available on E-SIMS. PACE is in place as of today. Anyone interested in volunteering to utilize PACE should send their account numbers to Ms. Tobin. Admissions Orientation, which included a Financial Aid presentation took place on April 26, and was well attended. Approximately 1,000 students have registered thus far.

9. BCC Inc. and Auxiliary Enterprises: Funds for the Child Development Center, the Student Development Center, and for NYPHG have been approved. The total collected for student activities this year was $783K. The Communicator has returned to "Campus Organization" status. Clubs are urged to utilize available funds and faculty are encouraged to develop more clubs.

10. Constitution and By-Laws Revision for IOC: Proposed revision were presented to the IOC Board and were approved in three meetings. Major revisions are as follows. A. A staff person can be a club advisor. B. The election of the IOC Chairperson must take place on the same day as SGA Officer elections (to be in office by May 31). C. A candidate for office must be a member of a chartered student organization at BCC for at least one semester and must have earned a minimum of 6 credits, with a cumulative GPA of at least 2.0. D. "College-wide Organization" status does not imply entitlement to more funds than chartered clubs.

11. Committee Reports:
   a. Academic Standing, Action items: 1. The entire CAS must approve students taking the CPE for the fourth time. Other decisions can be made by the CPE Appeals Sub-committee. 2. A grade of INC must be resolved before the start of the next semester. A motion to wave the three meeting rule on these items was approved and carried unanimously by a voice vote. A motion to accept the changes was approved and carried unanimously by a voice vote.
   b. Governance and Elections: 1. Prof. Henry Skinner and Prof. Lorraine Fegenson were elected to represent BCC on the University Faculty Senate (through May 2006) 2. Ms. Lourdes Rosario was nominated for BCC Senate and her election was certified by acclamation. 3. The election of a senator to represent HEO's on the BCC Senate will have to be held again. 4. All senators-at-large are up for reelection.
   c. Space, Facilities and Physical Plant: 27 projects have been completed, and twice as many are under construction. The total expenditures thus far are $6,871,000. Projects on the way include work on the tennis courts, the Playhouse stage, the center for Teaching excellence, and the Child Development center. The auditorium in the Gould Memorial Library will be completed in June when the Air Conditioning is tested.

12. The meeting was adjourned at 2:05 p.m. by Dr. Ruth Bass.

Respectfully submitted,

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