

BRONX COMMUNITY COLLEGE  
of the City University of New York  
**COLLEGE SENATE**

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**Minutes of December 6, 2007**

**Present:** C. Aleong, L. Augustus, R. Bass, M. Ben-Nun, T. Brennan, J.-A. Campbell, M. Coleman, P. Cunningham, R. Dempster, F. De Naples, A. Durante, J. Freeman, C. Grenda, G. Guarnieri, O. Hill, T. Ingram, A. Kerr, D. La Blanc, L. Lopez, C. Maliti, D. Mangiante, A. McInerney, T. McManus, I. Mirsky, J. Moghaddasi, L. Montenegro, F. Moore, H. Papas-Kavalis, P. Pascual, M. Pita, I. Puello, D. Read, P. Read, G. Rosado, L. Rosario, G. Sanchez, M. Schryer, H. Skinner, R. Tobin, A. Togha, F. Villar, H. Wach

**Absent:** M. Bates, D. Cabrera, Y. Ferreira, M. Garrido, K. Ismail, A. Maglieri

**Excused:** L. Hurley, A. Moreno, V. Thomas, C. Williams, J. Wilson, R. Wiltshire

**Guests:** L. Broughton, A. Cancetty, H. Clampman, J. Davis, B. Gantt, A. Hurni, A. Lal, A. Laverpool, J. Misick, N. Posner, M. Rogan, M. Roggow, F. Saeedi, C. Savage, D. Taylor

1. **Call to order** 12:40 p.m., R. Bass
2. **Agenda** Approved by unanimous voice vote
3. **Minutes** Accepted as amended by unanimous voice vote; R. Bass noted that “excused” does not necessarily exempt members from the three-absence rule

**4. Curriculum Committee Items**

Proposed Change in Existing Degree Program and Courses: Liberal Arts and Sciences—Earth Systems and Environmental Science Option, A.S. Degree Program, **passed unanimously by voice vote**

**5. 2009 Budget Request/Compact**

M. Coleman presented BCC’s 2008-2009 budget request for the CUNY COMPACT; in addition, she reported that in November the Board of Trustees recommended an incremental tuition increase of \$70/semester for community college students to partially fund the CUNY COMPACT and that the Vallone Scholarships and “safety net” for community college students will remain in effect; she also noted that in previous years, the state has bought out the last two incremental tuition increases; M. Coleman also fielded questions about construction and heating issues in Meister Hall and the Alumni Gym

A. McInerney: Motion “The Bronx Community College Faculty Senate opposes any tuition increase at the City University of New York for the 2008-2009 academic year”; passed, unanimous voice vote; R. Bass will

communicate this resolution to the Chair of the Board of Trustees and Governor of New York

## **6. President's Report**

R. Bass reminded the body of the President's Holiday Party, 12/13

## **7. Announcements and Reports**

Faculty Council Chairperson's Report: P. Read thanked members of the administration, staff, students, and faculty for their participation in Faculty Council this semester; next meeting 2/28

## **8. SVPs and Deans Reports:**

B. Gantt reported on current advisement and registration drive, changes implemented this term, and long-range plans for adjusting the advisement and registration process; Enrollment Management is working on a strategic enrollment management plan, which will be presented to the Senate when finished

C. Savage thanked members of the Senate for working with photographers and announced that the BCC yearbook will be revived

## **9. Auxiliary Enterprises:**

M. Coleman reported that on November 27 Auxiliary Enterprises held its annual meeting and she was grateful to the SGA representatives in attendance for helping to provide a quorum; AE is now in business to operate for the year; final audit results are expected in the next two weeks; annual budget and audit results will be available in the library for public review;

There was a round of questions concerning the Bookstore: length of current contract with Barnes and Noble, book pricing policies, and book voucher policies

## **10. BCC, Inc.:**

O. Hill reported that BCC, Inc. has met to consider requests for Fall 2007 and Spring 2008 year

## **11. Committee Reports**

- A. Committee on Academic Standing:** I. Mirsky presented information about the NC grade; no action possible
  - B. Governance and Elections:** F. Moore reported that four elections are ongoing, with ballots due in December; an irregularity occurred in the HEO election, the Governance and Elections Committee will meet to evaluate whether the HEO election should be run again
  - C. Instruction and Professional Development:** A. Lal reported that the committee is working on revising the faculty evaluation form, and interested parties should send comments to Akhil Lal, Physics
- 12. Adjournment:** 2:00 pm, R. Bass thanked the members for a successful semester

Respectfully submitted,

Frederick De Naples, Secretary