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BRONX COMMUNITY COLLEGE
Of The City University of New York

MINUTES OF THE COLLEGE SENATE

Sunday, October 5, 1975

Schwendler Auditorium

The meeting was called to order at 2:20 p.m. by Dr. Colston, Senate Chairperson.

I. In the absence of a quorum the Senate met and heard reports until 3:00 p.m. when a quorum was reached. At that time the minutes of the June 9 meeting were approved unanimously.

II. Report of President Colston

Dr. Colston reported that meetings on the budget were held during the summer and that the newly-elected ombudsman, Dr. Allan Wolk, has begun work in that capacity.

III. Progress Reports:

A. Dr. Carl Polowczyk, chairperson of the Faculty/Staff Caucus, reported that Prof. George Gean will replace Dean Herbert Tyson as senator from the Engineering Technologies Department and that the Nursing Department has elected a new representative, Prof. Maureen Meenan. Prof. Minerva Stergianopoulos will become Senate Parliamentarian in place of Prof. Jo-Ann Graham. A list of priorities in agenda items has been forwarded to Senate committees.

B. In the absence of Mr. James Williams, acting chairperson of the Student Caucus, Ms. Holly Sampson reported that the students have not yet held elections to fill four vacant Senate seats.

IV. Committee Reports:

A. Senate Executive Committee:

Prof. Michael Steuerman announced that future meetings of the Senate will be held on October 21, November 18, and December 16 at 5:00 p.m. All dates are Tuesdays. President Colston has appointed the following persons to a committee to study changes in the assignment of secretaries: Dean Paul Rosenfeld, Prof. Blanche Ettinger, Prof. Wallace Sokolsky, Ms. Fran Autovino, and Ms. Elsie Decesare.

B. Committee on Budget and Grants

Prof. Martin May reported that three subcommittees (Academic Area, Administrative Personnel, and Other Than Personal Services) were created to make recommendations for implementing the mandated budget cuts. Prof. May detailed the percentage and dollar cuts recommended by each subcommittee and summarized projected savings in all areas for a total of \$2,984,477.

Dr. Polowczyk distributed copies of a dissenting report on the actions of the Committee on Budget and Grants and asked that the Faculty/Staff Caucus and the Student Caucus discuss it at their next meetings. It was noted that the report did not come to a vote in the Committee on Budgets and Grants.

C. Other Committees

1. Committee on Academic Standing: Dean Tyson reported that Prof. John Hayde was elected chairperson and Prof. William Wahlin, secretary, at the first meeting. Committee voting procedures were discussed, and the meeting time was established as Wednesday from 4:15 to 6:00 p.m. The committee's minutes will serve as its report to the Senate.
2. Committee on Instruction: Prof. Wallace Sokolsky announced that the first meeting will be held on Tuesday, October 7, from 3:00 to 5:00 p.m.
3. Ombudsman: Dr. Allan Wolk announced that his office will be in Gould Hall 211 and that it will be open five days a week and one or more nights, depending on demand.
4. Committee on Governance Structures and Functions: Dean Rosenfeld reported that Dr. Leo Lieberman was elected chairperson pro tem and that the committee reviewed its mandate from the Senate at its first meeting.
5. Committee on Space and Facilities: Dean Rosenfeld announced that the committee elected Mr. Rudolph Richman chairperson pro tem at its first meeting. The implementation of the master plan has slowed somewhat even though it is not dependent on the city budget. As a result of the loss of the Nursing Center, plans are being made to accommodate the nursing program on this campus by Fall, 1976. Dean Rosenfeld responded to several questions about lighting on campus.

V. Report of the President of the College:

Dr. Colston stated that the cancellation and addition of class sections during registration make it impossible to determine yet whether the academic departments have met their savings obligations. He spoke of the efforts being made by the City University to prevent additional cuts and to obtain state monies. He appealed to all members of the college community to effect economies wherever possible.


VI. Question Period:

Questions were raised on the following subjects:

1. Funds for Student Caucus -- Funds are not available, but a room has been provided, and Dean Myron Kalin will work with students to adapt it to their needs.
2. Programs and facilities for the handicapped -- Current provisions for handicapped students, the commitment of the master plan to facilities for the handicapped, and the existence of a club for the handicapped were mentioned.
3. Student participation on Personnel and Budget Committees -- The activation of the Student Advisory Committee on Personnel Matters was suggested; student representation on such committees at other CUNY campuses was discussed as a possible model for BCC.
4. Residence facilities for nurses on campus -- The college will not be able to provide living quarters for nurses here.

The meeting was adjourned at 3:50 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,


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