

# SENATE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

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## Minutes of November 29, 2010

**Present:** I. Boubacar, L. Broughton, M. Coleman, J. Freeman, A. McInerney, L. Montenegro, D. Peters, R. Quinn, D. Read, P. Read, G. Sanchez, H. Skinner, C. Williams

**Guests:** A. Fuller, C. Savage

**Excused:** P. Barbatis, I. Sibabi

**Meeting called to order** at 2:20 p.m., A. McInerney.

1. **Approval of November 29, 2010 SEC agenda:** Approved unanimously by voice vote.
2. **Approval of October 25, 2010 Minutes:** Approved unanimously by voice vote.
3. **Approval of December 2, 2010 Senate Agenda:** Approved as amended unanimously by voice vote.
4. **Motion to commend Phyllis Read and Don Read on their service to the College:** Approved unanimously by voice vote.
5. **Budget update:** SVP Coleman stated that there is still no new information about the budget at this time. She attended a meeting last Tuesday with administrative council.
  - a. The CUNY Board approved a 5% tuition increase for Spring 2011 (\$75 and \$115 increase for community colleges and senior colleges, respectively) and 2% (possibly 3%) tuition increase for Fall 2011.
  - b. Based on the information available so far, it looks like the amount set aside at the beginning of the fiscal year (\$750,000) will cover the shortfall in the BCC budget.
  - c. H. Skinner asked (as a result of a Faculty Senate meeting) if there is an allocation for student development in the budget. SVP Coleman replied that there was an allocation in the budget last year; however, there is not a special allocation this year. The stimulus money (from the Federal government) is disappearing next year and whether the allocation can be picked up at the state and local level is debatable.
6. **Pharos committee update:**
  - a. D. Peters and M. Coleman met with D. Taylor two weeks ago. A second meeting with more students was held, as well. The sharing of information is ongoing and M. Coleman is willing to meet again as necessary.
  - b. I. Boubacar stated that financially it is difficult to be a student. He suggested that there may be other ways to reduce waste.

- c. J. Freeman mentioned that he is also available for students to discuss these issues.
- d. C. Williams asked about the student survey. The student survey is not yet closed.
- e. A. McInerney asked that he be notified of any future meetings so that he may distribute the time and place to the senators in case they wish to participate.
- f. H. Skinner suggested that surveys be provided at the places students use the copying services.

**Adjournment** at 2:58 p.m., A. McInerney

Respectfully Submitted,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Laura C. Broughton".

Laura C. Broughton  
Secretary