

BRONX COMMUNITY COLLEGE
Of the City University of New York

College Senate Minutes: 12/7/2000

Present: Nasser Abdellatif, Ruth Bass, Madelaine Bates, Kathleen Berger, Thomas Brennan, Vincent Bonneli, Alba Cancetty, Marty Cohen, Mary Coleman, Marsha Cummins, Arthur Galub, Marjorie Garrido, Paula Gilbert, Allan Glasser, Donna Goetz, Marcia Keizs, Howrad Lepzetter, Jackson Liautaud, Donna Mangiante, Andrew McInerny, Virginia Mishkin, Mal Nickerson, Rosemary Quinn, Phyllis Read, Mary Rogan, James Ryan, Malcolm Shcryer, Brenda Scranton, Henry Skinner, Jeff Spielberg, Michele Stern, Howard Wach, Carolyn Williams, Bernard Witlieb.

Frequent Guests: Andre Hurni, Nadine Posner, George Sanchez, David Taylor

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Excused: Debra Gonsher

- I. Meeting called to order by Dr. Ruth Bass, 12:20 P.M.
- II. Agenda approved.
- III. Minutes approved.
- IV. President's report: President Williams complimented faculty and staff for their efforts during registration. Letters for the Presidential grants due to go out on December 18. The District Faculty Recognition Reception and the Christmas Party at the Rosco Brown Student Center were scheduled for the week of December 11.
- V. Other Announcements/reports:
Dr. Ruth Bass reiterated that the Chancellor will address us at the February meeting and she asked the Senate to think about questions that need to be addressed.

Vice President Keizs reported on the ACT test, which will place students into and out of reading and writing at the remedial level and will replace the CWAT by the end of January. The test will be administered to students with 45 credits or more. In preparation for the test faculty and administration will be working on "Writing-Intensive Courses". There should be 16 to 20 writing-intensive sections implemented across the curriculum.

Dr. Brenda Scranton reported that she is working with the Department of Public Safety to acquire full implementation of identification cards.

- VI. Committee Reports and Action Items:
 - A. Academic Standing:
Dr. Isabel Mirsky reported the approval of a change in the deadline for the resolution of temporary grades of INC and ABS. The grades

will be automatically converted from INC to Fin and from ABS to FAB at the end of the 10th of the semester immediately following the one in which these grades are recorded. If the student has not reached completion by the 10th week, he/she may request an extension only with the approval of the instructor and/or department chair by that 10th week

B. Curriculum Committee:

1. Change of name for existing course PEA 51 from Stress Reduction and Wellness to Stress Management: approved at Senate by voice vote, 12/7/00.
2. Actions reported at Senate 12/7/00:
 - a. New course – Geographic Information System
 - b. Revision in the Liberal Arts Transfer Curriculum A.A., Increase in allowable Mathematics courses. A further discussion of Math requirements, specifically Math 12, was deferred to the February Senate meeting.
 - c. Change in existing course, prerequisite changes, CMS11:
From: co-requisite ENG 02 or RDL 02
To: pre-requisite ENG 01 and RDL 01; co-requisite ENG 02 or RDL 02.
3. Governance and Elections:
Howard Lepzetter has been reelected as CLT representative. The HEO ends December 8, 2000.
4. Space, Facilities and Physical Plant:
The biggest problem reported at this point in time is lack of classrooms and the inappropriate quality of existing classrooms. Chalkboards are needed in New Hall, Gould Tech and Bliss. Windows and blinds in Colston need repairs.

VII. Meeting adjourned at 1:30 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Donna Mangiante

RESOLVED. That the College Senate approve the renaming of Gould Hall of Technology building of Bronx Community College, to “ The Carl J. Polowczyk Hall.”

EXPLANATION: Dr. Carl J. Polowczyk served Bronx Community College for 37 years starting in 1960. Prior to his appointment as Dean of Academic affairs in 1978, Dr. Polowczyk served eight years as the Chairperson of the Chemistry Department and chair of the College Senate.

During his tenure as Dean of Academic Affairs, Dr. Polowczyk was the vital center, the bedrock of our College for almost a score of years; One whose truly vast knowledge of BCC, CUNY and higher education throughout the country was matched only by his tireless support for faculty initiatives to enable all our students to fulfill their academic and human potential.

Dr. Polowczyk was responsible for establishing many new programs such as, Radiological Technology, Nuclear Medicine Technology, LPN, Telecommunications Technology, and Telecommunications Technology Verizon as well as Paralegal Studies and Human Services.

He was also instrumental in increasing the number of grants awarded to the College. He supported the development of a major grants operation through nurturing a small grants and development operation into the most successful community college grants and development operation in CUNY.