

BRONX COMMUNITY COLLEGE
Of the City University of New York

College Senate Minutes of April 19, 2001

Present: Nasser Abdellatif, Ruth Bass, Madelaine Bates, Kathleen Berger, Vincent Bonneli, Thomas Brennan, Mary Coleman, Diane D'Alessio, Howard Fuld, Paula Gilbert, Allan Glasser, Donna Goetz, Debra Gonsher, Roman Kossak, Marcia Keizs, Howard Lepzelter, Jalil Maghaddas, Donna Mangiante, Andrew McInerny, Virginia Mishkin, Mal Nickerson, Mark Padnos, Rosemary Quinn, Phyllis Read, James Ryan, Malcolm Sheryer, Brenda Scranton, Frank Sharpe, Henry Skinner, Michele Stern, Howard Wach, Bernard Witlieb.

Frequent Guests: Alice Fuller, Bernard Gantt, McThaddeus Holden, Andre Hurni, Nadine Posner, Nancy Ritze, George Sanchez, David Taylor

Guests: John Davis, Akhil Lal, Jennifer Misick, P. Meleties, T. Tuechter.

Excused: Marcia Cummins, Marjorie Garrido, Carolyn Williams.

- I. Meeting called to order by Dr. Ruth Bass, 12:15 P.M.
- II. Agenda approved.
- III. Minutes of 12/7/00 were amended as follows:
#5...Additionally, the CPE test will be administered to students with 45 credits or more...
Minutes of 2/8/02 and 3/8/01 were amended related to attendance and were also abbreviated.
- IV. Reports from Vice Presidents and Guests:
Vice President Coleman discussed the "mark-up" and "mark-on" of textbooks, specifically at Barnes and Noble, making the cost to students higher. She asked faculty to submit lists of current textbooks by title and author to ascertain appropriate costs and avoid unnecessary mark-ups.
Vice President Coleman also presented an overview of the electrical problems, specifically in Meister Hall. The connectivity problems appear to be largely related to overloaded switches and a lack of detailed documentation on switch locality. The long-term goals include the replacement of the major electrical conduit as well as the exploration of wireless options for classrooms.
Bernard Gantt announced that there have been no major complaints with registration, and that, so far, the process has run smoothly. Course booklets will be available by April 23.
Dr. James Ryan announced the postponement of the Price Memorial Lecture, scheduled for April 19 at 10:15 a.m., until further notice.

V. Committee Reports and Action Items:

1. Faculty Council:

The Council has taken a closer look at the document “Rising to the Challenge”, which assesses and evaluates community colleges. The document recommends that community colleges execute more job-related programs, more partnering with other educational centers, and continued efforts for a Flagship Environment. The council feels that the summary of the document is somewhat misleading and is requesting that all Department Chairs read the document thoroughly and pass on the information to faculty. The Faculty Council will not take action in response to the document until this department-wide review process is complete.

Faculty needs to lobby for negotiations on the contract. Celia McCall reported that there is a lack of progress with the contract. So far, DC 37 employees have settled at a 2-year contract at 4% and Librarians have settled at a 2 year contract at 4% + 8%. Other negotiations have been unproductive to date. It is hoped that a better contract will be delivered, specifically, better than 8%. We need to support the efforts of our leadership and bring this and other messages to the Board of Trustees. Thanks go out to Henry Skinner for his efforts in this endeavor.

2. Academic Standing: no report

3. Curriculum Committee:

The following were approved by the Committee, 4/2/01:

a. Revision of existing curriculum:

Nuclear Medicine Technology A.A.S.

Drop NMT80 [4 cr.], add 1)Phlebotomy and 2)EKG [total 4 credits, Dept. of Physics and Technology]

b. Proposed new curriculum:

Warehouse Management A.A.S., 5 attendant new courses

1. Fundamentals of Warehouse Management

2. Fundamentals of Inventory Management

3. Fundamentals of Logistics Management

4. Food Sanitation and Safety Principles

5. Food Transportation

(Total 15 credits, Dept. of Business and Information Systems)

c. Proposed new Certificate Program:

Animal Care and Management, 2 attendant new courses:

1. Intro. to Animal Care and Management (3 cr.)

2. Zoo internship (500 hrs., 6 cr.)

(Total 9 credits, Dept. of Biology)

d. Revision:

Change in prerequisite for CMT 31: Audio Recording and Duplication

(Dept. of Communication Arts and Science)

4. Governance and Elections Committee:
Elected to serve on the Space, Facilities and Physical Plant Committee:
Jim Fahey, Science
Charles Alston, Career Development
Frederick DeNaples, Humanities
 5. Instruction and Professional Development:
 - a. Thanks go out to President Williams for her responses to the Presidential grant proposals.
 - b. The New Student Evaluation of Faculty Forms:
A motion to approve was carried unanimously by voice vote.
 6. Space, Facilities and Physical Plant Committee:
Current needs and improvements pending:
An emergency power generator; improve elevators in Loew and Gould; new handicap lift in library; rehabilitation of roofs and facades (Phase I is complete); improve roof exit doors; improve roofs and gutters in South Hall; new windows in the library; construction of security cameras is underway in Hall of Fame; manholes to be redone in the summer; need new hot water tanks across campus; improve sidewalks; campus mall needs rehabilitation; Rotunda needs work; Bursar's office needs new ceiling.
 7. University Faculty Senate:
 - a. Faculty is urged to get involved in lobbying for the budget.
 - b. The question of censorship of E-mail was raised.
 8. Student Senate: no report.
 9. Student Government: no report.
 10. Ad Hoc Committee for Renaming Gould Tech I in honor of Dean Carl J. Polowczyk:
A motion to rename the building was voted unanimously in favor by voice vote.
- VI. Meeting adjourned at 1:50 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Donna Mangiante