

BRONX COMMUNITY COLLEGE
of the City University of New York
College Senate

Minutes of November 8, 2012

Present: B. Alleyne, S. Atamturktur, R. Bass, E. Bayas, T. Brennan, A. Brewer, L. Broughton, G. Burghart, M. Coleman, W. DeJong-Lambert, M. Diallo, A. Durante, M. Fein, J. Freeman, D. Genova, D. Gonsher, R. Gouraige, G. Guarnieri, D. Hadaller, L. Hurley, T. Ingram, M. Kirk, P. Kolozi, A. Lal, M. Leonardo, C. Maliti, D-E. Matsoukas, A. McInerney, T. McManus, I. Mirsky, J. Molina, M. Pita, R. Quinn, R. Shane, H. Skinner, K. Taylor, C. Vendryes, T. Warren, J. Wilson, E. Winston, B. Yarmolinsky, R. Zuhair

Absent: N. Afranie, A. Canelo, Julius Gonzalez, K. Pinkrah, T. Pollard, M. Reffing, K. Thomas

Excused: R. Ben-Nun (alternate), C. Berotte Joseph, L. Brenner (parliamentarian, non-Senator), H. Clampman, S. Davis, A. Levy, (F. Moore, non-Senator), H. Papas-Kavalis, L. Rosario, W. Washington

Present Alternates: M. Gannon

Guests: B. Gantt, J. Berman, D. Castellanus, K. Cedero, J. Cerrato, K. Corley, R. Dempsey, L. Dick, B. Gantt, S. Gupta, C. Harding, K. Ismail, O. Melendez, S. Midy, L. Montenegro, S. Moss, S. Persinger, N. Ritze, W. Rodriguez, C. Simpson, D. Taylor, H. Wach, A. Wolf

1. **Call to Order:** 12:22 P.M., A. McInerney
2. **Greetings and Introductions:** A. McInerney welcomed everyone and acknowledged the recent storms and the difficulties some members are experiencing, including Senator H. Clampman who experienced severe property damage. A. McInerney welcomed our newest Senator, VP Institutional Advancement, E. Bayardelle.
3. **Approval of the Agenda:** Approved by unanimous voice vote.
4. **Approval of Minutes of October 11, 2012:** Approved as amended by unanimous voice vote.
5. **Action Item:** Curriculum Committee action items are postponed to the December 2012 meeting, due to H. Clampman's absence.
6. **President's Report:**
 - a. VP E. Bayardelle reported on behalf of President Berotte Joseph.
 - b. The President wants to thank all of the staff who worked around the clock during the storm to ensure that our Emergency Evacuation Center and campus facilities remained safe. Kudos to VP Coleman, Dean Taylor, Wayne Murphy, Jim Verdichio, and their entire staff for managing this period so well with the support from SVC Alan Dobrin's Office.
 - c. The President is thankful that our campus community has not suffered fatal casualties in the aftermath of Hurricane Sandy; CUNY and BCC have assisted in relief efforts. There are ongoing efforts to reach out to members of the campus community who may be in need of aid. The President has requested that the Senate activate its Community Outreach Committee, in order to assess the current situation, make recommendations to establish a special emergency fund,

and establish a process for distributing those funds to members of the campus community who are negatively impacted.

- d. The Dedication of the Daniel Hauben collection was Sunday, November 4. It was a tremendous success, with over 200 people in attendance. Thanks to the faculty and staff who made it happen. Daniel Hauben, and his wife Judith, thanked BCC for allowing the event to occur as scheduled.
- e. The child care center received national accreditation from the National Association of Young Children (NAEYC). This is a huge achievement and the President congratulates Jitinder Walia and her staff for this accomplishment.

7. Announcements and Reports

a. Chairperson, Vice-Chairperson, and Faculty Council Chairperson

- i. A. McInerney reported on the activities of the Senate Executive Committee, which addressed the hurricane response and academic calendar issues. A. McInerney met with President Berotte Joseph to discuss governance issues, First Year Seminars, and compensatory issues on October 28 and he has requested a follow-up meeting.
- ii. At T. Warren's reminder, A. McInerney asked for suggestions from the floor on how to help with the hurricane recovery effort. H. Skinner suggested asking students in their classes for suggestions. M. Gannon noted that some of her students work as first responders; she suggested leniency when dealing with students adversely impacted by the hurricane. Refer any members of the BCC community in-need to the President's Office. M. Coleman noted that the ultimate goal is to create a disaster fund in the Foundation that would be available now and in the future for additional disaster events. Checks should be made out to BCC Foundation Relief Effort and can be given to the bursar's office. A. McInerney also noted that if faculty members have not heard from any students since the hurricane, they should reach out to those students.
- iii. M. Pita noted that Faculty Council did not meet because of Hurricane Sandy.

b. Vice-Presidents and Deans

- i. VP D. Hadaller noted that L. Montenegro and E. Roman are the two people responsible for uploading courses into the (Pathways) Sharepoint system. As of today, 66 regular courses submitted to Sharepoint and 18 STEM variant courses sent to CUNY. All courses are pending. As a response to the days lost to the hurricane, the proposed revised class schedule has been submitted to CUNY, but has not yet been approved by CUNY or the NYS Education Department. Only 84 classes are affected by the Tuesday schedule on Sunday, December 16. T. Durante asked about room conflicts; M. Siegel noted that they are currently checking for room changes. Finally, the withdrawal date has been extended to November 16.
- ii. VP M. Coleman recognized that there are some problems with heat on campus. She noted that some of this is systemic and is part of the construction process. M. Coleman asked the body to please report any complete loss of heat (non-working radiators, etc.) to PPS at x5234, immediately.

- iii. VP A. Brewer noted they are trying to eliminate barriers to access to financial aid for high school students. He congratulated Judy for the accreditation of the Early Childhood Center.

8. **Budget Report:** This was reported at the last meeting.

9. **Auxiliary Enterprises:** No Report

10. **BCC, Inc.:** M. Kirk noted that the board met for the first time this week on November 6.

11. Committee Reports

- a. **Academic Standing** (see attachment): I. Mirsky presented the CAS report. CUNY has changed the word suspension to dismissal. Changes are being made to the codification to bring the dismissal process more in-line with other CUNY schools and change the word suspension to dismissal.
- b. **Curriculum:** No Report
- c. **Governance and Elections:** No Report
- d. **Instruction and Professional Development:** No Report
- e. **Space, Facilities, and Physical Plant:** No Report
- f. **Student Activities:** There is a meeting next week.
- g. **Student Government Association:** The SGA will meet this Friday.
- h. **University Faculty Senate:** No Report
- i. **University Student Senate:** No Report
- j. **Vice-Presidents and Deans:** A. McNerney reported that four nominees have already been submitted to the committee of vice-presidents and deans for the search committee for the Vice President of Academic Affairs, but eight nominees must be submitted to the President. The following people were nominated during this meeting: T. McManus, J. Molina

12. New Business:

- a. J. Freeman noted that the first informational meeting on Pathways for students was yesterday. The meeting was very informative.
- b. **Resolution from the Council of Chairs (see attachment):**
 - i. This is the first presentation of this resolution. M. Pita suggested that all senators bring this resolution back to their departments.
 - ii. Motion was made to waive the two-meeting rule. It was defeated: 32-9-1

13. **Adjournment:** 1:40 P.M., A. McNerney

Respectfully Submitted,



Laura C. Broughton, Secretary

Handouts:

- CAS: Addition to the Codification of Academic Rules and Regulations, First Presentation
- Council of Chairs, November 7, 2012, Resolution on Pathways Implementation

To: The College Senate

From: The Committee on Academic Standing/ Addition to the Codification of Academic Rules and Regulations

Date: First Presentation November 8, 2012

Revision of Codification: Suspension (Dismissal) Policy

From	To
<p data-bbox="189 475 976 540">In sections of the codification, termination from the college is entitled “suspension.”</p> <p data-bbox="189 540 604 576">Academic Suspension (S1)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li data-bbox="241 617 1018 901">▪ Time Limit for Academic Suspension (S1) A student under academic suspension (S1) from any College of the City University for Grade Point Average shall be separated from the University and shall not be admitted to Bronx Community College for one semester. (Summer sessions do not qualify the student as being separated from the College for one-semester.)<li data-bbox="241 901 1018 1047">▪ Academic Suspension (S1) Rules A student whose GPA falls in the suspension band will not be suspended if the following conditions apply:<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li data-bbox="241 1088 1018 1266">● P2 students with fewer than 24 index credits will not be suspended if they have an overall academic GPA of 2.0 or greater and have earned at least 12 degree credits at BCC. They will remain in P2 status.<li data-bbox="241 1307 1018 1523">● A P2 student whose semester averages is 2.5 for the semester will not be suspended. The student will be kept in P2 status and will be seen by the Student Assistance Center to determine a satisfactory progress standard (GPA required for the following semester) for that student.	<p data-bbox="1050 475 1879 540">All references to “suspension” will be replaced by the term “dismissal.”</p> <p data-bbox="1050 540 1438 576">Academic <u>Dismissal (D1)</u></p> <p data-bbox="1050 617 1858 868">Time Limit for Academic <u>Dismissal (D1)</u> A student under academic <u>dismissal (D1)</u> from any College of the City University for Grade Point Average shall be separated from the University and shall not be admitted to Bronx Community College for one semester. (Summer sessions do not qualify the student as being separated from the College for one-semester.)</p> <p data-bbox="1050 901 1879 1234">Academic <u>Dismissal (D 1) Rules</u> <u>A student whose GPA falls in the dismissal band may appeal to the Committee on Academic Standing to return to the College in the semester subsequent to the dismissal. A student who is granted the right to return will be limited to 7 credits/equated credits and must maintain a semester GPA of a 2.0. A student who does not maintain a 2.0 semester GPA will be permanently dismissed (D2) from the College.</u></p> <p data-bbox="1050 1266 1879 1453"><u>Students who maintain a 2.0 GPA for the semester but still fall in the dismissal band will be allowed an additional semester of 7 credits/equated credits to remove themselves from the dismissal band. If they do not, they will be permanently dismissed (D2) from the College.</u></p>

- During the period of academic ~~suspension (S1)~~, a student may not attend or be enrolled in any credit-bearing or equated-credit course.

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Rationale: The policy is being changed so that our probation and dismissal policy aligns with other CUNY schools.

Council of Chairs, November 7, 2012
Resolution on Pathways Implementation

The Council of Chairs moves that a moratorium be effective immediately on Pathways work due to the impossibility of reaching the current deadlines for Pathways implementation in Fall 2013.

The departments and their faculty can be ready to implement Pathways in September 2014.

Resolution passed, unanimously via voice vote.

Respectfully submitted,

James Freeman
Chairperson, Council of Chairs