

# SENATE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

## Minutes of May 9, 2016

**Present:** T. Isekenegbe, R. Ben-Nun, H. Clampman, M. Fein, D. Gonsher, J. Katz, C. Schrader, H. Skinner, S. Utakis, K. Ellis, A. Alvarez

**Excused:** N. Asamoah, L. Lawton, K. Matos

**Guests:** E. Bayardelle

1. **Meeting called to order** at 2:22pm by F. Moore.
2. **Approval of May 9, 2016 SEC agenda:** Approved with an amendment by unanimous voice vote.
3. **Approval of April 18, 2016 SEC Minutes:** Approved with an amendment by voice vote.

4. **Report of the Chair:**

**Adjunct Election:** F. Moore spoke briefly about the elections. S. Utakis spoke in favor of M. Stewart Titus and R. Cunningham. D. Gonsher and A. Alvarez spoke in favor of J. Sinanovic. T. Isekenegbe stated that he would not vote because he was unfamiliar with the candidates. In the first two votes, none of the candidates received the eight votes necessary to be elected. After the second vote, R. Ben-Nun made a motion to vote for M. Stewart Titus, who received the most votes, to be Adjunct Senator, and for J. Sinanovic to be an alternate. The vote did not carry (Yes – 7, No – 2, Abstain – 2). A third round of voting occurred and, still, none of the candidates received enough votes to be elected. C. Schrader made a motion to reconsider R. Ben-Nun’s earlier motion; the motion passed (Yes – 8, No – 2, Abstain – 1). There was a fourth round of voting and M. Stewart Titus was elected. J. Sinanovic was elected Alternate Adjunct Senator by a unanimous show of hands.

Adjunct Senator Election

Candidate	Round One	Round Two	Round Three
J. Cunningham	0	0	0
H. Idrissou	0	0	0
M. Stewart Titus	5	6	6
J. Sinanovic	4	4	4

Motion to Elect M. Stewart Titus Senator and J. Sinanovic Alternate

Voter	Round One	Round Two
T. Isekenegbe	Yes	Yes
J. Katz	Yes	Yes
R. Ben-Nun	Yes	Yes
S. Utakis	Yes	Yes
F. Moore	Yes	Yes
D. Gonsher	Yes	Yes
H. Skinner	Yes	Yes
H. Clampman	No	No
A. Alvarez	No	No

C. Schrader	Abstain	Yes
M. Fein	Abstain	Abstain

Vote for Adjunct Senator – Fourth Round

Voter	J. Cunningham	H. Idrissou	M. Stewart Titus	J. Sinanovic
T. Isekenegbe			X	
J. Katz			X	
R. Ben-Nun			X	
S. Utakis			X	
F. Moore			X	
D. Gonsher			X	
H. Skinner			X	
H. Clampman				X
A. Alvarez			X	
C. Schrader			X	
M. Fein				X

- a. **2016-2017 Calendar:** (see report) F. Moore explained his report. D. Gonsher pointed out a conflict with President’s Day. Approved with amendment by unanimous voice vote.
5. **President’s Report:** T. Isekenegbe discussed the report he would deliver at the next Senate meeting. Among other things, he would discuss the University Working Group, which would examine the way in which the college can foster academic freedom while maintaining a tolerant environment. He would also discuss a proposal by NYC DOT to make changes to the streets and sidewalks surrounding campus.
6. **Report from SGA:** A. Alvarez spoke about diaper changing tables that would be coming to some buildings on campus, as well as an upcoming event, Spring Fling.
7. **Report from the Faculty Council:** (see report) R. Ben-Nun stated that the council would have a special meeting on May 19<sup>th</sup> at 2PM. He then referred to his report. Discussion ensued.
8. **Approval of May 12, 2016 Senate agenda:** Approved by unanimous voice vote.
9. **New Business:** H. Skinner thanked those who participated in Run the Bronx.

**Adjournment** at 3:24pm by F. Moore.

Respectfully Submitted,

Jon Katz, Secretary

**Attachment(s):**

- Nominations for Adjunct Senator
- Proposed Dates for Departmental, Faculty Council Executive Committee and Senate
- Faculty Council Report
- Proposed Senate Agenda for May 12, 2016

## Nominations for Adjunct Senator

**Roger Jeff Cunningham**

Dear Franklin and Jonathan:

I would like to submit my name for consideration for Adjunct at delegation of faculty to the College Senate.

I have been an Adjunct for 25 years at various Community Colleges in the greater metropolitan area and have been at Bronx Community College since the Fall of 2007.

In addition to teaching Introduction to Psychology, I also run a student group, The Dream Table which meets once or twice a week in the cafeteria. This provides an opportunity for the students, faculty and staff to discuss their night time dreams and/or nightmares.

If you require more information, please do not hesitate to contact me further.

I am Adjunct in the Social Science Department. My office is the Cafeteria. My home phone is 212 594-7501. No cell.

Everbest,

Roger Jeff Cunningham

**Halid Idrissou**

Hello ,

I would like to nominate myself to the position of adjunct senator .

My name is Halid Idrissou and have been teaching at her Dept of mathematics for 3 years now. I would like to contribute to the college community to better the education of our students in particular .

Please contact me via email if you need any information about me .

Kind regards,  
Halid Idrissou

Sent from my iPhone

\*Disclaimer: Please excuse any spelling, grammar and/or inappropriate words or phrases that might appear in emails. Autocorrect is the worst feature on an iPhone with a mind of its own. Thank you for understanding my apologies in advance.

**Marian Stewart Titus**

Dear Professor Katz and Moore:

I wish to nominate myself to serve on the BCC College Senate as the Adjunct Delegate.

Name: Marian Stewart Titus, Ph.D.

Title: Adjunct lecturer

Department: English Department

Office address:

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Bronx NY 10453

Phone number: 718-904-9755

I have been an adjunct lecturer in the English Department of Bronx Community College since Fall 2009. My research areas are mediated communication in Caribbean diasporic settings, and American literature, and Caribbean and African post-colonial literature. I have taught undergraduate freshman and upper level courses in communication, public relations and literature at the University of the West Indies in Jamaica, Rutgers University, New Brunswick, NJ campus, and Lehman College/CUNY, as well as Bronx Community College. I am a member of the University of the West Indies Alumni Association, the Stanford University Alumni Association, the Rutgers University Alumni Association, and the International Association of Business Communicators. I am active in the PSC/CUNY in support of adjunct faculty projects, and I am a member of the PSC/CUNY Part-Time Faculty Committee and the PSC/CUNY International Committee.

I have attached my c.v. which gives more details about my credentials and experience.

Thank you for your consideration.

Regards,

Marian Stewart Titus, PhD

Adjunct Lecturer

**Proposed Dates for Departmental, Faculty Council Executive  
Committee and Senate**

**BCC 2016-2017**

**September 2016**

- Department 9/1/16
- Faculty Council 9/15/16
- Executive Committee 9/19/16
- Senate 9/22/16

**October 2016**

- Department ?? 9/29 or 10/13 (10/6 =Monday)
- Faculty Council 10/20/16
- Executive Committee 10/24/16
- Senate 10/27/16

**November 2016**

- Department 11/3/16
- Faculty Council 11/10/16
- Executive Committee 11/14/16
- Senate 11/17/16

**December 2016**

- Department 12/1/16
- Faculty Council none
- Executive Committee 12/5/16
- Senate 12/8/16

## **February 2017**

- Department 2/2/17
- Faculty Council 2/9/17
- Executive Committee 2/13/17
- Senate 2/16/17

## **March 2017**

- Department 3/2/17
- Faculty Council 3/16/17
- Executive Committee 3/20/17
- Senate 3/23/17

## **April 2017 (spring break 4-10-18, 4-20=Monday)**

- Department 4/6/17
- Faculty Council none
- Executive Committee 4/24/17
- Senate 4/27/17

## **May 2017**

- Department 5/4/17
- Faculty Council 5/11/17
- Executive Committee 5/15/17
- Senate 5/18/17

## CUNY Calendar

Dates	Days	
<b>July 13</b>	Wednesday	Payment due for Registration through July 1
<b>August 3</b>	Wednesday	Payment due for Registration through July 26
<b>August 18</b>	Thursday	Payment due for Registration through August 18
<b>August 19-24</b>	Friday-Wednesday	Payment due Immediately
<b>August 24</b>	Wednesday	Last day to drop for 100% tuition refund
<b>August 25</b>	Thursday	Classes Begin
<b>August 31</b>	Wednesday	Last day to drop for 75% tuition refund; Last day to add a class
<b>September 3</b>	Saturday	No classes scheduled
<b>September 5</b>	Monday	Labor Day - College is closed
<b>September 7</b>	Wednesday	Last day to drop for 50% tuition refund
<b>September 14</b>	Wednesday	Last day to drop for 25% tuition refund; Last day to change or declare a major effective for Fall; Form A census cutoff
<b>September 15</b>	Thursday	Course withdrawal period begins; A grade of W is assigned to students who officially withdraw from a course
<b>October 2-4</b>	Sunday- Tuesday	No classes scheduled
<b>October 6</b>	Thursday	Classes follow a Monday schedule
<b>October 10</b>	Monday	College closed - no classes scheduled
<b>October 11-12</b>	Tuesday-Wednesday	No classes scheduled
<b>October 14</b>	Friday	Classes follow a Tuesday schedule
<b>November 10</b>	Thursday	Last day to withdraw from a course with a grade of W
<b>November 24-27</b>	Thursday-Sunday	College closed - no classes
<b>December 13</b>	Tuesday	Reading Day
<b>December 14-21</b>	Wednesday-Wednesday	Final Examinations - Day/Evening
<b>December 17-18</b>	Saturday-Sunday	Final Examinations - Weekend Classes
<b>December 21</b>	Wednesday	End of Term
<b>December 24-25</b>	Saturday-Sunday	College is closed
<b>December 31</b>	Saturday	College is closed
<b>January 1, 2017</b>	Sunday	College is closed



<b>December 16</b>	Friday	Payment due for Registration through December 11
<b>January 17</b>	Tuesday	Payment due for Registration through January 9
<b>January 23</b>	Monday	Payment due for Registration through January 23
<b>January 24-29</b>	Tuesday-Sunday	Payment due Immediately
<b>January 29</b>	Sunday	Last day for 100% tuition refund
<b>January 30</b>	Monday	Classes begin
<b>February 5</b>	Sunday	Last day to add a course; Last day for 75% tuition refund
<b>February 12</b>	Sunday	Last day for 50% tuition refund
<b>February 13</b>	Monday	Lincoln's Birthday - College is closed
<b>February 15</b>	Wednesday	Classes follow a Monday schedule
<b>February 19</b>	Sunday	Last day for 25% refund; Census Date - Form-A cutoff; Last day to change or declare a major to be effective in Spring; Last day to drop without a grade of W
<b>February 20</b>	Monday	President's Day - College is closed; Course Withdrawal period begins. A grade of W is assigned to students who officially withdraw from a course
<b>April 10-18</b>	Monday - Tuesday	Spring Recess
<b>April 19</b>	Wednesday	Course withdrawal period ends. Last day to withdraw from a class with a grade of W
<b>April 20</b>	Thursday	Classes follow Monday schedule
<b>May 19</b>	Friday	Reading Day or Final Exams
<b>May 20-21</b>	Saturday-Sunday	Final Examinations - Weekend classes
<b>May 22-26</b>	Monday-Friday	Final Examinations -
<b>May 26</b>	Friday	End of Spring Term
<b>May 29</b>	Monday	Memorial Day - College is closed

# COACHE Proposals

## **General**

- Hold Open Forum Meetings annually on issues of diversity at BCC
- Encourage FOC/women involvement in PSC CUNY meetings and/or activities
- Research other CUNY colleges' response/initiatives regarding diversity

## **Research**

- Conduct a SGA Student survey on diversity and climate of campus
- Request a report on the % of grievances filed by FOC/women on campus
- Request a report of the % of part time and full time FOC/women by department
- Identify % of retention of FOC/women by department

## **Governance**

- Create a task force that includes faculty, staff and administration to address diversity
- Officially include Unity & Strength and the Latino Association organizations in some capacity
- Change the mandate of the affirmative action officer
- Establish term limits for all elected faculty leadership positions

## **Curriculum**

- Re-activate Afro-American, Latino and Native American Studies degrees options.
- Integrate multiculturalism across curricula.
- Enhance offering of Afro-American, Latino and Native American courses

## **Professional Development/P&B**

- Include Unity & Strength and ALFS in the New Faculty Seminar
- Establish formal independent mentoring of new faculty
- Create college-wide mentoring programs for moving between all ranks
- Request transparency on the process of promotion for faculty and HEOs
- Develop specific criteria for promotion and tenure by discipline
- Expand the definition of scholarship and research to be more inclusive
- Reward different kinds of service to the college
- Assist faculty & staff promote their work through the office of Marketing

## **Hiring**

- Compile a list of diverse recruitment outlets: journals, magazines, and associations, etc. so that BCC can recruit from more diverse sources.
- Diversify all search committees membership

[Proposed]  
**AGENDA OF THE MEETING OF THE  
BRONX COMMUNITY COLLEGE SENATE**  
May 12, 2016 12:15 - 1:45 P.M.  
Nichols Hall 104

1. Call to Order
2. Seating of Alternates
3. Approval of the Agenda
4. Approval of Minutes of April 21, 2016
5. Action Items:
  - a. Curriculum Committee – **(10 Minutes)**
  - b. Governance and Elections Committee **10 minutes)**
  - c. Election of nominees to the Campus Security Advisory Committee **(5 minutes)**
  - d. Election to Faculty Student Disciplinary Committee **(5 Minutes)**
  - e. Faculty Council Resolution on Indigenous People's Day **( 5 minutes)**
6. President's Report **(15 minutes)**
7. Committee Reports **(2 minutes each unless otherwise noted)**
  - a. Academic Standing
  - b. Curriculum **(included in action items above)**
  - c. Governance and Elections **(included in action items)**
  - d. Instruction and Professional Development
  - e. Space, Facilities, and Physical Plant
  - f. Student Activities
  - g. Student Government Association
  - h. University Faculty Senate
  - i. University Student Senate
  - j. Vice-Presidents and Deans
  - k. Community Relations and Special Events
8. Announcements and Reports **(2 minutes each)**
  - a. Chairperson, Vice-Chairperson, and Faculty Council Chairperson
  - b. Vice Presidents and Deans
9. Auxiliary Enterprises **(2 minutes)**
10. BCC, Inc. **(2 minutes)**
11. New Business **(time remaining)**

## 12. Adjournment