

The City University of New York
Bronx Community College
Committee on Governance and Elections

Minutes of the Meeting of December 1, 2020 via Zoom

Present: Charles Maliti, Franklin Moore, Gabriel Morillo, Grisselle Nadal, Jesus Sanabria, Jonathan Scott, Goldie Sherr, Christopher Soto, Priscilla Tokor, James Webb
Guests: Grisel Acosta, Howard Clampman, Debra Gonsler, Peter Kolozi

- I. **Call to Order:** 12:05 PM by Franklin Moore.
- II. **Approval of Agenda**
 - a. The agenda was approved unanimously.
- III. **Approval of the Minutes**
 - a. The minutes from November 3, 2020 (with amendments) were approved unanimously.
- IV. **Action Items**
 - a. Resolution to define “shared governance” – update by James Webb.
 - i. The subcommittee is still in the process of researching and drafting language.
 - ii. This item will be brought up again during the next meeting in February 2021.
 - b. Powers of the Executive Senate Committee: “Appoint” vs “Elect” – presented by Jonathan Scott.
 - i. This item was discussed previously. It is actionable today.
 - ii. The proposed amendment was reviewed.
 1. The proposal aims to amend the BCC Governance Plan and replace the word “appoint” with the word “elect” regarding the functions of the senate executive committee.
 2. There are four instances in the Governance Plan where the word “appoint” is used regarding the functions of the senate executive committee. In these four instances, the word “appoint” would be replaced with the word “elect”.
 - iii. A formal motion to approve the item was made and seconded.
 - iv. The motion to approve the item passed (10-0-0). It carried unanimously.
 - c. Proposal to make all members of the Committee on Community Events voting members– presented by Grisel Acosta.
 - i. This item was discussed during the previous meeting. It is actionable today.
 1. The Director of Administrative Services currently serves without vote (the only non-voting member).
 2. The proposal aims to amend the BCC Governance Plan to allow the Director of Administrative Services the ability to serve as a voting member.
 - ii. A formal motion to approve the item was made and seconded.
 - iii. The motion to approve the item passed (10-0-0). It carried unanimously.

V. **Discussion Items (First Presentation)**

- a. Proposal to Amend the BCC Governance Plan to include a Committee on Budget and Financial Planning as a Standing Committee of the Senate – presented by Peter Kolozi.
 - i. The purpose of this committee would be to disseminate information to the college community regarding the college budget.
 - ii. While the Governance Plan tasks the senate to play a budgetary role, there is currently no committee on campus that serves this role.
 - iii. The Committee on Budget and Financial Planning would be a completely advisory committee.
 - iv. This proposal was further discussed, particularly with a focus on the membership of the committee and the exact role that this committee would play.
 - v. This item will come back at the next meeting.

VI. **New Business**

- a. The amendment regarding the vacancies of chairs will need to be re-addressed during the Spring 2021 semester.
- b. A proposal to have the membership of each Senate Committee include a member from every department will need to be discussed in the upcoming semester.
- c. Elections will be conducted during the Spring 2021 semester. This will need to be coordinated with the SGA.

VII. **Adjournment:** The meeting was adjourned at 1:50pm.

Respectfully Submitted,



Goldie Sherr