Minutes of the Meeting  November 12, 1998
Meister Hall / Room 228

PRESENT:  N. Abdellatif; R. Bass; K. Berger; V. Bonelli; H. Fuld; A. Galub; D. Goetz; H. Irby; M. Keizs; D. La Blanc; M. Messaoudene; A. McInerney; M. Nickerson; I. Persus; M. Pita; P. Read; M. Rutself; J. Ryan; R. Sackey; G. Sanchez; M. Schryer; F. Sharpe; H. Skinner; J. Spielberg; M. Stern; M. Wenzel; C. Williams; B. Wittlieb

GUESTS:  A. Fuller; B. Gantz; M. Holden; C. Honda; A. Hurni; E. Kish; M. Padnos; N. Ritze

EXCUSED:  M. Coleman; E. Cox; J. Misick

1. CALL TO ORDER: Chairperson R. Bass called the meeting to order at 12:25 p.m.

2. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA: The agenda was approved.

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES: The minutes were unavailable.

4. PRESIDENT'S REPORT: Dr. Williams announced that Trustees will be invited to the campus. This will acquaint them with who we are. On November 11th, there were two town hall meetings with a great turn out and there was good dialogue. There may be two or three hearings before the visit. The intent is wide campus participation. Kirk Daley is the new Director of Student Activities. Bronx Community College will host Bronx Borough hearing on December 15, 1998.

5. ANNOUNCEMENTS:
   a) Chairperson - Dr. Bass reported that we presented amendments to Dr. Williams.
   Vice Chairperson - absent.
   Faculty Council - M. Pita announced that the Community College Conference is asking for sponsorship.
   b) Vice Presidents - Vice President Keizs reported that the Health, Exercise Sciences and Computer Information Systems are being reviewed. At the proposal stage Medical Assistant and Environmental Technology are being reviewed.
Vice President Coleman - absent.

Deans - Dean Kish shared her lavender report.

Dean Sanchez had no report.

Dean Misick - absent

6. COMMITTEE REPORTS:

a) Academic Standing: Questions were raised regarding students marching before they completed their 60 credit requirement. Pulled from AS report:
   1) Definition of Academic grades for further discussion.
   2) Wording of "R" grade.
   3) Exemption in Physical Education Courses.
   4) Deadlines for ABS and INC grades. There was a move to table the committee of academic standing report until the next meeting.

b) Curriculum: J. Ryan reported on actions by the curriculum committee. Waiver on the two meeting rule; the Senate voted on resolutions A, C, D, E, and F.

c) Deans - No report.

d) Governance and Elections - Dr. Witt lieb reported that there is a ballot. Lepseltzler is the two year term replacement for Gil Riley.

e) Instruction and Professional Development - Dr. Berger reported that recommendations were forwarded to Dr. Williams. New rosters will be used in the Spring.

f) Space, Facilities, and Physical Plant - No report

g) Student Activities - No report.

h) University Faculty Senate - No report.

i) University Student Senate - No report.

7. Results of Research Studies on Remediation and Related Matters - N.

Ritze reported that there is a decline in enrollment. Studies were conducted:
1) Assessment of student progress.
2) Analysis of graduates from June 1997.
3) Assessment of Language Immersion Program students. Other studies show that our students do well when they graduate and leave BCC. Overall college wide passing rate is 69% from Fall 1997.

8. Resolution Concerning Proficiency Exam - Will go to the next Board of Trustees meeting Dr. Witteb reported on the removal of the CUNYWAT and replacement of a proficiency exam. The exam would be taken from 45 to 60 degree credits. Pilot testing occurred and 90 of our students took the exam.

9. Sponsor of Community College Conferences - The Faculty Council is the appropriate body to be a sponsor.

10. New Business - None

11. Adjournment - The meeting was adjourned at 3:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Marilyn Russell
Secretary