Executive Council of the College Senate
Minutes of May 29, 2002

Present: Nasser Abdelatif, Ruth Bass, Vincent Bonelli, Mary Coleman, Monique Francis, Debra Gonsher, Marcia Keizer, Donna Mangiante, Andrew McNemey, Rosemary Quinn, George Sanchez, Carolyn Williams
Guests: Alice Fuller, Nadine Posner
Excused: Phyllis Read

1. The meeting was called to order at 2:10 p.m. by Dr. Ruth Bass.

2. The minutes were approved with spelling corrections.

3. The agenda for the College Senate Meeting was approved.

4. Report from Vice President Mary Coleman on budget and finances: A) The DC 37 retroactive monies will be made available after the details are processed and negotiated at NYC’s Office of Budget Management. B) The funding of the contract has been approved by the City and the monies will be made available before the end of the fiscal year. The manner in which the dollars will be laid out has not yet been determined. C) Additional funding (up to $15 million) will be made available for community colleges. The capital portion of the money should include design money for construction. Minor rehabilitation funding has been put forth as well as special funds for Medgar Evers. D) The RFP for the Bookstore contract was sent out April 1 and the bid opened April 15. An Auxiliary meeting is planned to meet with representatives from Barnes and Noble, likely to be the vendor. E) Book lists should be composed now, whether the contract is complete or not.

5. Report from Dr. Vincent Bonelli on SGA elections: 1496 students voted, 18 presented for senator; 15 elected. Referendum vote: yes – 818, no – 397. The referendum is for Child Care, Cultural Programs, Athletics and NYPIRG.
6. Report from Dr. Ruth Bass on IOC President and School Calendar: A) The bylaws of the Board of Trustees state "...election of the executive board and other officers within the SGA must take place by May 31..." the president must be elected from the elected senators..." In reference to this, there are some confusing points in the SGA Constitution and in the IOC Constitution that need clarification. Monique Francis was advised by VP Keitz to make the recommendation to have the election take place by May 31 and to have a faculty member present. B1) Regarding the school calendar, there are issues concerning the conflicts of our calendar with the public school calendar. Students complain, as there are child care issues, but a written policy to resolve this is not likely. B2) Senate Executive Council meetings will remain the same, Monday 2 p.m.

7. Report from President Carolyn Williams on the renaming of Gould: The resolution for the renaming of Gould Hall of Technology has been sent to the Board and we await approval at the June meeting.

8. The meeting was adjourned at 3 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Donna Mangiante