LaGuardia Community College Minutes of the College Senate Meeting

February 4, 2015 E242

Present and Voting:

Moksheda Akter (Student), Claudia Baldonedo (Adult and Continuing Education), Liang Chen (Student), John Clappin (At-Large Adjunct), Daniel Diaz (Student Affairs), Francine Egger-Sider (Faculty Council Seat), Monika Ekiert (Education and Language Acquisition), Hugo Fernandez (Humanities), Ana Lucia Fuentes (Natural Sciences), Rosann Ippolito (At-Large Instructional), André Keeton (Social Science), Charles Keyes (Library), Imani Kibler (Student), Regina Lehman (Health Science), Evelyn Lowmark (Administration), Mahdi Majidi-Zolbanin (MEC), Allia Matta (English Department), Kevin Nunez (Student), Anthony Pappas (Alumni Association), Jessica Perez (At-Large Instructional), Michael Philogene (Business & Technology), Eneida Rivas (Institutional Advancement), Feng Rong (Student), Suzanne Rosenberg (Health Science), William Rosenthal (At-Large Instructional), Patricia Sokolski (Academic Affairs), Laverne Summers (Student), Lynne Teplin (Counseling), Tiancheng Zhou (Student), Jenny Zhu (Information Technology)

Meeting called to order at 2:45p.m.

I. CURRICULUM COMMITTEE ITEMS

Debra Engel, Chairperson of the College Wide Curriculum Committee (CWCC), made opening remarks explaining the replacement of MAT 118 with MAT120. Members expressed concern with possible student confusion with the change and the effect on majors.

Senator Hugo Fernandez made a motion to approve curriculum items; 2nd by Senator Lynne Teplin:

- (i) Yea-24; No-0; Abstention-2
- (ii) CURRICULUM ITEMS APPROVED

II. MINUTES

Senator Regina Lehman made motion to approve the minutes; 2nd by Senator Hugo Fernandez

- (i) Yea-25; No-0; Abstention-1
- (ii) MINUTES APPROVED

III. CHAIRPERSON'S REPORT

- a. The Chair informed the members of the action plan being created by constituency committee reports.
- b. The Chair informed the members that the Provost, Michael Baston and the Director of the Wellness Center will make a presentation on mental health at the March meeting.

- c. The Chair informed the members that the Senate would discuss CUNY'S assessment of LaGuardia; particularly student satisfaction.
- d. The Chair discussed constituency concerns with the full membership.
- e. The Chair expressed a desire to conduct a survey on the effectiveness of the current model for Senate elections.
- f. The Chair discussed Civil Service/HEO representation/College Asst./Part-Time Support Representation
- g. The Chair discussed Groupwise Online Address/Direction Issues
- h. The Chair discussed better ways of communicating issues relating to Financial Aid to students.
- i. The Chair discussed Veteran's Issues
- j. The Chair discussed issues of security

IV. BUDGET COMMITTEE

a. The Chair confirmed the reconstitution of the budget committee and proposed making the committee a STANDING COMMITTEE of the Senate. The Chair proposed taking a vote on the budget committee at the March meeting of the Senate.

V. OLD BUSINESS

VI. NEW BUSINESS

a. Announcements

- i. Senator Eneida Rivas announced that the 2015 Graduation ceremony would be held at Madison Square Garden.
- ii. Senator Rivas announced the New York City Identification Card (IDNYC) Queens Community Meeting to be held at the Little Theater, February 4, 2015.
- iii. Senator Anthony Pappas announced that the East River Kiwanis Club/Queens Catholic Lawyers Guild would be holding the 88th Annual Golden Gloves tournament at the Melrose Ballroom on March 4, 2015.
- iv. Senator Anthony Pappas announced Valentine Candy/Flower Sale in the E-Building lobby on February 13, 2015,

VII. ADJOURNMENT

Senate Adjourned, 5:05p

Respectfully submitted,

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College Senate Secretary &

Senator, Social Science Department