BOROUGH OF MANHATTAN COMMUNITY COLLEGE The City University of New York

COLLEGE COUNCIL

Minutes March 30, 2016

Everyone attended except:

Joel Barker Arthur Cain Marva Craig Francesco Crocco Alexander Gosslau Sunil Gupta Joyce Harte Teresia Huggins ShuHuey Jenner Shannon Kidd Ken Levinson Marci Littlefield

Amparo Lopez-Moreno

Liany Marcial

John Montanez **Nuhal Nuare** Benjamin Oluwole Mahatapa Palit Alicia Perdomo Davendra Ranglall Elena Samuels **Brett Simms Hao Tang Giselle Toby Bryant Viloria Shannon Williams**

Joanne Zak

- I. President Pérez called the meeting to order at 2:10 pm.
- II. APPROVAL OF MINUTES:
 - A. The minutes of the February 24, 2016 College Council Meeting were unanimously approved.
- III. President Pérez presented informational items regarding the New York State Budget hearings.
 - A. The proposal for the state to cut back on funding CUNY, to be made up by the City of New York is probably odd the table.
 - B. The administration is continuing to pressure legislators to budget money for a new contract.

IV. STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS

A. The Campus Facilities and Security Committee presented a report. (See Appendix)

VI. OLD BUSINESS

- A. A discussion about unlocked and advertised all gender bathrooms resumed.
- B. An Ad-Hoc Committee to study this problem was approved unanimously by the College Council.

VII. NEW BUSINESS:

- A. Students asked what BMCC's response to anti-Semitic incidents would be. Dean Hutmaker stated that these incidents were being investigated on a case-by-case basis.
- B. Students demanded more input into the Gateway initiative.
- C. Students questioned the handling on non-compliance in completing the online Sexual Harassment Workshop by student leaders. They stated that freezing the funds of clubs whose officers have not completed the training is unfair.
- VIII. President Pérez adjourned the meeting at 2:30 pm.



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MEMORANDUM

To: College Council

From: G. Scott Anderson

Date: March 30-, 2016

Subject: Facilities Committee March 2, 2016 Meeting Report

The Committee met to discuss several issues and some of the items included the following:

1) Facilities:

i) The work on the new Fitness Center has finished and the opening will occur later this month. The committee members were given an overview of the history of the Center, its loss during the 9/11 contraction within the building and its improved format.

ii) Mechanical Systems and Energy Savings improvements are continuing with the installation of wireless thermostats, new variable drives, and inclusion of a pool cover for the new pool through a grant.

iii) Swimming pool: The tiling of the newly poured concrete will be installed in another 45 days and after the cure period, the college will seek the permits necessary to open the pool this summer. Projected complete date for use is July 2016.

iv) Bathroom renovation: The first phase of the public bathrooms will begin late summer and will last 6 months for each side of the building (North and South). The project will involve the complete replacement of all fixtures, plumbing, wall treatments and ventilation systems.

v) Solar panel (PV) array: This will begin August and involve the installation of 926 panels, the largest installation in Manhattan and will generate 325 Kwh of power.

- 2) Public Safety has increased the number of posts to accommodate several new areas including additional Murray Street need and a new post outside the Registrar's office. The staff development training for all emergencies including active shooter training will continue over the spring break but additional tabletops will be developed for faculty and staff during each semester as an ongoing service. The public safety (PS) department will create the literature and FAQs for new hires and students to be printed and placed online.
- 3) Environmental Health and Safety: The Right to Know training in handling chemical, biological and hazardous materials was conducted for custodial staff and laboratory staff. BMCC passed the CUNY environmental audit and is waiting for final close-out. The college will place notices for the community on where to get first-aid treatment and supplies.

There was additional discussion and ideas shared among the committee members but these were the more salient items to report out.