

**LaGuardia Community College**  
**Minutes of the Senate Meeting**  
**May 13, 2009**

**Present:** M. Abreu, C. Baldonado, N. Berke, P. Nicolov (for R. Butler), J. Cantwell, L. Capuano-Vella, J. Wynn (for T. Coogan), G. Walters (for K. Cottrell), C. Keyes for (F. Egger-Sider), M. Glick, U. Hidle, I. Ortega (for A. Iqbal), R. Kahn, J. Karlen, A. Colon (for S. Khan), W. Kurzyna, P. Mejia (for C. Lee), T. Litvay-Sardou, G. McCormack, S. Mettler, E. Murray, A. Pappas, B. Brooks (for G. Richmond), E. Rivas, E. Santiago, I. Shakir, C. Sterling-Deer, L. Teplin, A. Tucker

**Absent:** M. Alvarado, H. Ali, N. Lewis, R. Padhiar, H. Rashid, P. Sokolski, S. Yee

**Excused:** L. McShane

**Guests:** A. Adil, L. Beaky, L. Desvigne, S. Hanson, G. Sussman

***Nota Bene:** For each action summarized in these minutes, the set consisting of those senators who participated in the action forms a subset of those listed as “Present”. The specific vote of each senator that participated in an action is contained in the summaries. Unless otherwise noted, the Chairperson abstains from all votes.*

Chairperson Teplin called the meeting to order at 2:38 p.m. in room E 500.

**I. Approval of Minutes for April 22, 2009**

By general consent, the Senate approved the draft version of the minutes of the Senate meeting held on April 22, 2009 with corrections. All senators listed as present for the meeting participated in this action except for Senators Mettler, Shakir, & Sterling-Deer & Alternate Senators Ortega & Walters, all of whom had not yet arrived.

**II. Report from the Chairperson**

Chairperson Teplin informed the Senate that President Mellow will be attending the next meeting to discuss the 2009-2010 Strategic Plan. She also mentioned that the Marketing Office is looking for current students who are registered for session II to be part of their poster campaign. Anyone interested should contact Irene Sosa for more information.

**III. 2009-2010 Senate Meeting Calendar**

Chairperson Teplin presented the draft of the 2009-2010 Senate Meeting Calendar. There was some discussion on whether to use November 25<sup>th</sup> (the day before Thanksgiving) or December 9<sup>th</sup> (a Monday Schedule) as a meeting date. By a show of hands it was decided to include the December 9<sup>th</sup> date and not November 25<sup>th</sup>. By general consent, the Senate approved the draft version of the 2009-2010 Senate meeting calendar with that change. All senators listed as present for the meeting participated in this action except for Senators Shakir, & Sterling-Deer & Alternate Senators Ortega & Walters, all of whom had not yet arrived.

**IV. Curriculum Committee Report**

There were several curriculum items presented, which had all been placed on the Senate consent calendar as they were sent out prior to the meeting. Listed below are the items along with corresponding Senate action. Whenever the phrase “with corrections” appears, it refers to minor adjustments in the written presentation of the proposal. It does not refer to substantive changes in the proposal.

It was moved and seconded to adopt all items on the Senate consent calendar simultaneously as presented. This included: New Course proposal SCC205, Introduction to Chemistry, and the Letter of Intent: Multidisciplinary Associate in Engineering Science (A.S), Program in

Environmental Engineering and Earth System Option (EEES), as presented. The motion passed unanimously with 24 votes in favor. All senators listed as present for the meeting participated in this action except for Senators Shakir, & Sterling-Deer & Alternate Senators Ortega & Walters, all of whom had not yet arrived.

#### **IV. Academic Standing Committee Report**

Dr. Sandra Hanson, on behalf of the Academic Standing Committee, presented a revised resolution on Non-Matriculated Students. It was moved and seconded to approve the resolution as presented. The motion passed with 23 votes in favor, 2 against and 1 abstention. Senator Pappas & Alternate Senator Colon voted against the motion. Alternate Senator Ortega abstained. All Senators listed as present for the meeting participated in this action except for Senators Shakir, & Sterling-Deer both of whom had not yet arrived.

#### **V. Stipend/Compensation for Student Senators**

Senators Kahn & Shakir presented a resolution allowing for Student Senators to be paid a stipend of \$25.00 per meeting. This has been worked out with the Division of Enrollment Management & Student Development and the funds will come from the Student Activity Fees. After much discussion it was moved and seconded to endorse the resolution with corrections, as a pilot program for the 2009-2010 academic year. The Senate will re-evaluate the issue next spring. The motion passed with 25 votes in favor, and 3 against. Senators Mettler & Sterling-Deer & Alternate Senator Brooks voted against the motion. All senators listed as present for the meeting participated in this action.

#### **VI. Student Judicial Process**

Senator Kahn presented a resolution regarding the Student Judicial Process at the college. After much discussion it was decided that we would continue this issue at a future meeting and Senator Kahn would include some additional information in the resolution as indicated by feedback from the floor.

The meeting adjourned at 4:55 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Anthony Pappas  
Secretary  
College Senate

**Nota Bene:** The Senate approved this final version of these minutes during its meeting of May 27, 2009.