

BCC Auxiliary Enterprises Corporation General Plenary Board Meeting Minutes

December 14, 2017

President's Conference Room – LH17 1:00 p.m.

Convener: Thomas Isekenegbe, Chair

Present: Hussein Abdul, Mariama Bah, Dapo Ibrahim, Thomas Isekenegbe, Mary Martinez

David Taylor, Rolly Wiltshire, Karen Thomas, Michael G. Williams, Sharmila Mukherjee

Wali Ullah

Absent: Julie Bolt

Guests: Ryan McCarthy, Gregory Rosenberg, Nicole Crews, Robin, Auchincloss, Frank Giglio,

Simone Rodriguez-Dorestant, Manny Lopez, Tamar Rothenberg

The meeting was called to order at 1:00 p.m. by Thomas Isekenegbe.

1. Opening Remarks/Review/Recap:

- ➤ President Isekenegbe welcomed again the new members of the Bronx Community College (BCC) Auxiliary General Plenary Board. All Auxiliary General Plenary Board Members received an informational packet which included the meeting's agenda.
- A review of the minutes from the November 30, 2017 meeting was discussed. With a couple of minor spelling corrections, the Auxiliary General Plenary Board approved the minutes unanimously.

2. Open Discussions:

President Isekenegbe gave a summary of the new Auxiliary Guidelines and the Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) as mandated from the CUNY Board of Trustees. All Auxiliary General Plenary Board Members received copies of this document (hard copy and electronically). These guidelines and MOU were passed on December 4, 2017. President Isekenegbe expressed the importance of following these guidelines, such as having open meetings, annual auditing, and spending money consistent with the governance and good practices. Also, President Isekenegbe stated that a website must be created to reflect the CUNY Board of Trustees By-Laws, guidelines, meeting minutes, MOU, etc.

Based on these new guidelines, President Isekenegbe suggested allocating money into areas such as the campus swimming pool so that it may bring in possible revenue for the college. On another note, Mr. Gregory Rosenberg expressed that there is no revenue coming from the space rental of the ATM machine located on campus. President Isekenegbe and Assistant Vice President David Taylor expressed that we will look into this.

- ➤ Dr. Simone Rodriguez-Dorestant gave a brief presentation to request for funding in the amount of \$14,000 for the Bronx Reads event's other related expenses. The funding request is to pay for the guest speakers, contractual services, etc. Mr. Michael G. Williams confirmed that the event was a success. A motion was sent to the floor and seconded to approve the request. There were two abstentions; however, the majority did approve the motion.
- President Isekenegbe stated that the request for funds for Industrial Advisory Committee Student Recruitment by Prof. Hamad Khan has been tabled until Prof. Khan can provide a more detailed breakdown of his request and present it. A motion to approve to table this discussion about Prof. Khan's request was sent to the floor to be voted on and it was seconded. The motion was unanimously approved.
- Dr. Tamar Rothenberg gave a brief presentation to request for funds in the amount of \$1,730 for field trips open to all students. The members inquired about the selection of the students for this trip. Dr. Rothenberg responded that it is on a first come, first served basis. A motion to approve the request was sent to the floor and seconded. The motion was unanimously approved.
- Ms. Nicole Crews and Mr. Frank Giglio briefly presented to the Auxiliary General Plenary Board a request to purchase furniture and other related expenses for the Campus Service Center in the amount of \$37,075. Beginning sometime in the Spring 2018 semester, Barnes & Noble will be leaving Bronx Community College campus. The Campus Service Center's target date is June 2018. This will be a virtual service center for students to purchase books, etc. Assistant Vice President David Taylor expressed that there will be ID cards to track the usage of these services. This new Campus Service Center will generate revenue for the college. A motion to approve the request was sent to the floor and seconded. The motion was unanimously approved.
- Mr. Ryan McCarthy submitted a request for funds for stipends to be paid to students for their work during college-related games and activities in the amount of \$1,140. A motion to approve the request was sent to the floor and seconded. The motion was unanimously approved.

3. Next Meeting:

➤ The next Auxiliary Enterprises Corporation General Plenary Board Meeting will be held in February 2018.

The meeting was adjourned at 2:00 p.m. by Thomas Isekenegbe. Prepared by Karen Thomas, Secretary