

## BCC Auxiliary Enterprises Corporation General Plenary Board Meeting Minutes April 19, 2018 President's Conference Room – LH17 12:00 p.m.

Convener: Thomas Isekenegbe, Chair

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

David Taylor, Karen Thomas, Wali Ullah, Katherine McGuire

Absent: Julie Bolt, Sharmila Mukherjee, Michael G. Williams, Dapo Ibrahim

Guests: Gregory Rosenberg, Debra Gonsher, Jitinder Walia

President Thomas Isekenegbe called the meeting to order at 12:04 p.m.

## 1. Review:

The Auxiliary Enterprises Corporation (AEC) Board reviewed the minutes from the March 8, 2018 meeting. The minutes were majority approved with one abstention.

## 2. Open Discussions:

- Professor Clarence Perkins gave a brief presentation on the NABA (National Association of Black Accountants) Golf Networking Event. He explained that the event is in association with the Job Linkage Foundation. The event is for minority accounting major students. In addition, Bronx Community College is the only two-year school with a student chapter that is a part of NABA. The NABA Golf Networking Event will take place over the summer, which will include workshops etc. Assistant Vice President David Taylor expressed support and that he was a member of NABA at Brooklyn College. Prof. Perkins mentioned that the selection of students for this event was on a first come first serve basis. Mr. Wali Ullah expressed support of this event as well. President Isekenegbe explained to Prof. Perkins that the cost of this event could be paid out of the departmental budget. He advised Prof. Perkins to speak with AVP Taylor for assistance.
- ▶ Dr. Kenya Harris presented a request for funds to update the Nursing Laboratories on campus. Her request was for \$250,000. Dr. Harris spoke about the deteriorating conditions of the lab. Dr. Harris would like the labs to emulate a hospital environment. According to Dr. Harris, BCC Nursing Program used to be #1 in CUNY. Dr. Debra Goshner inquired about the overall request for funds for the labs to Auxiliary. AVP Taylor explained that specialized lab renovations are very expensive and may lead to departments exceeding their budgets. In addition, members of the board and guests suggested that Dr. Harris should plan for such

renovations as well as possibly using the college tech fee to pay for computers. Mr. Michael Akingbade wanted clarification on some of the submitted invoices. Dr. Harris stated that the invoices were 30 days old at the time of submission. A motion to approve the request for funds for \$250,000 dollars. Dean Lopez expressed that the request was for less money in 2017. President Isekenegbe and other members of the board asked for a cost/budget breakdown for commencement for the next (AEC) meeting. A motion was sent to the floor and second. Members unanimously approved this motion.

Dean Manny Lopez gave a brief presentation on his request for funds for all commencement related items which includes the Graduation Awards Ceremony. Senior BBQ/Rehearsal and other refreshments. The request was for additional yoga classes and instructors at the Center. Ms. Walia expressed that the additional classes slated are for eight months costing \$8,000 for spring 2018 and fall 2018. These classes were primarily for BCC students but may be open to the campus community later. Dr. Gonsher expressed concerns that the Yoga Instructors salary compensation appears to be more than some instructors on campus. In addition, she suggested using on campus instructors for the additional Yoga classes. Mr. William supported the request but questioned the amount of money spent as well. Mr. Ullah and Ms. Martinez agreed with the suggestions. Mr. Gregory Rosenberg expressed concerns with hiring a faculty member to teach these classes through the AEC as opposed to an outside vendor. Ms. Kathleen McGuire suggested using volunteers. Members unanimously approved to table this proposal.

## 3. Next Meeting:

The Auxiliary Enterprises Corporation General Plenary Board Meeting will meet May 3, 2018.

President Isekenegbe adjourned this meeting at 12:59 p.m. Prepared by Karen Thomas, Secretary