

**LaGuardia Community College
Minutes of the Senate Meeting
25 January 2006**

Present: C. Baldonado, R. Bandelt, L. Sardell (for J. Cantwell), L. Capuano-Vella, D. Davidson, J. Fabara, L. Forrester, A. Harrigan (until 3:25 p.m.) & R. Levine (for A. Harrigan after 3:25 p.m.), J.G. Ianni, E. Johmann, T.M. Tsao (for H. Johnsen), J. Karlen, T. Litvay-Sardou, P. Martinez, S. McIntosh, J. Michello, E. Murray, R. Octaviano, I. Ortega, A. Pappas, J. Pastor, G. Richmond, E. Rivas, S. Sanchirico, E. Sung, L. Teplin, S. White

Ex-officio: F. Egger-Sider

Absent: A. Alchundia, Y. An, B. Bennett, K. Bermeo, A. Garcia, E. Thompson

Excused: M. Glick, G. Rhodes, M. Szalapski, J. Valencia

Guests: R. Bennett, J. Gantzer, L. Gluck, J. Grumet, S. Hanson, D. Harrell, A. Hernandez, K. Koh, N. Linton, C. Macheski, C. Sterling-Deer, G. Tapper, P. Van Slyck

***Nota Bene:** For each action summarized in these minutes, the set consisting of those senators that participated in the action forms a subset of those listed as "Present". Chairperson Ianni did not participate in any of the actions. The specific vote of each senator that participated in an action is contained in the summaries.*

Chairperson Ianni called the meeting to order at 2:23 p.m. in room E-500. He noted to all present that this special meeting is devoted exclusively for the consideration of the Curriculum Committee Report and the Report from the Chairperson.

I. Curriculum Committee Report

Prof. Cecilia Macheski presented several curriculum items to the Senate. Listed below are the items along with corresponding Senate action. Whenever the phrase "with some technical 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 the revised program proposals for Childhood Education and for Secondary Education, as well as the replacement program proposal for Bilingual Education, as presented. The motion passed unanimously with 26 votes in favor. All senators present (other than the Chairperson) participated in this action.
- It was moved and seconded to approve the following new course proposals as presented with some technical corrections: ELE203, Language and Literacy in Early Childhood Education, ELE204, Language and Literacy in Secondary Education, ELL101, Introduction to Language, ELN120, Foundations of American Education. The motion passed unanimously with 25 votes in favor. Senator Michello (and the Chairperson) did not participate in this action.
- It was moved and seconded to approve the revised course proposal ELL/ENG110, English Grammar and Syntax, as presented. There was some discussion about the protocol for preparing revised course proposals. Should all the signatures be necessary when only minor elements are being revised? The motion passed unanimously with 25 votes in favor. Senator Sardell (and the Chairperson) did not participate in this action.
- As an informational item, Prof. Macheski briefly discussed a revised Mission and Overview statement for the Liberal Arts and Sciences Program.
- It was moved and seconded to approve the Letter of Intent for the Health Information Technology Program as presented with some technical corrections. The motion passed

unanimously with 23 votes in favor. Senators Johmann, Karlen, Sardell (and the Chairperson) did not participate in this action. It is also noted that Senator Levine, alternate for Senator Harrigan, participated in this action as Senator Harrigan had to leave prior to this vote. Some members of the body expressed concern that a few of the items in the Letter of Intent needed more detail along with a desire for timely presentation of the full program proposal.

II. Report from the Chairperson

Chairperson Ianni postponed his report to a future meeting due to time considerations. As the orders for the day were complete, the meeting adjourned at 3:47 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Anthony Pappas
Secretary
College Senate

Nota Bene: The Senate approved this final version of these minutes at its meeting of 22 March 2006.