

**LaGuardia Community College
Minutes of the Senate Meeting
December 6, 2006**

Present: C. Baldonado, N. Berke, R. Cadeau, J. Cantwell, L. Capuano-Vella, R. Chi, T. Coogan, D. Davidson, L. Forrester, M. Glick, A. Gupta, C. Hu, J.G. Ianni, E. Johmann, R. Kahn, M. Hollar-Gregory (for J. Karlen), W. Kurzyna, T. Lambert, C. Leonard, M. Conde (for T. Litvay-Sardou), C. Rauscher (for E. Murray), R. Octaviano, I. Ortega, A. Pappas, V. Ramirez, G. Richmond, E. Rivas, S. Sanchirico, L. Teplin, S. White

Ex-officio: F. Egger-Sider

Absent: S. Bestman, R. Butler, J. Byeon, Md. Khan, D. Perafan, H. Sherman, H. Shifuddin, H. Zhao

Excused: T. Villaruz

Guests: G. Crandall, H. Delcham, N. Greenberg, K. Hajallie, D. Harrell, A. Hernandez, L. Iannuzzo, D. Kolomechuk, C. Macheski

***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”. The specific vote of each senator that participated in an action is contained in the summaries.*

Chairperson Ianni called the meeting to order at 2:30 p.m. in room E-500. He noted to all present that this special meeting is devoted exclusively for the consideration of the Minutes of the Senate meeting of November 15, 2006, the Report from the Chairperson, and curriculum items.

I. Approval of Minutes for November 15, 2006

By general consent, the Senate approved the draft version of the minutes of the Senate meeting held on November 15, 2006, as presented. All senators listed as present for the meeting participated in this action, except for Senators Chi, Gupta, Kahn, Leonard, Ramirez, and the Chairperson.

II. Report from the Chairperson

A. Chairperson Ianni announced that the first meeting of the Degree Certification Committee would take place on Wednesday, December 13, 2006, from 2:30 p.m. to 5 p.m. in room C-107. He briefly discussed some of the agenda items for that meeting.

B. Chairperson Ianni cited Article V, Section I, Paragraph A, Subsection 5, in regard to the role of the Senate’s Executive Committee to interpret the College’s Governance Plan. He reported that on November 29, 2006, the Executive Committee unanimously interpreted Article VI of the Governance Plan to allow for a simple majority of the full Senate to revise amendments that have been initiated prior to a ratification vote. He then discussed some ideas for establishing platforms to foster negotiations between constituencies on the Governance Plan amendments, and he invited the Executive Committee members to share additional perspectives.

III. 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 new course proposals ELA101, Elementary Arabic 1, ELA102, Elementary Arabic 2, ELJ102, Elementary Japanese 2, and ELJ201, Modern Japanese Literature, as presented with some technical corrections and an explicit revision to the catalog description of ELJ201 to indicate that the course is conducted in Japanese. The motion passed unanimously with 25 votes in favor. All senators listed as

- present for the meeting participated in this action, except for Senators Berke, Davidson, Leonard, Pappas, and the Chairperson.
- It was moved and seconded to adopt the new course proposals CPA012, Reflective Practice in the Teaching Profession II, CEP113, Coop-Ed: Childhood Education Internship II, CEP115, Coop-Ed: Secondary Education Internship II, CEP176, Coop-Ed: Bilingual Education Internship II, and CPP024, Co-op Prep for Engineering Science, as presented with some technical corrections. The motion passed unanimously with 28 votes in favor. All senators listed as present for the meeting participated in this action, except for Senator Davidson and the Chairperson.
 - It was moved and seconded to adopt the revised course proposal SCO101, Introduction to Occupational Therapy, as presented with some technical corrections. The motion passed unanimously with 28 votes in favor. All senators listed as present for the meeting participated in this action, except for Senator Davidson and the Chairperson.
 - It was moved and seconded to adopt the Letter of Intent for a proposed New Media Entrepreneurship Option for the New Media Technology Curriculum, as presented with some technical corrections. The motion passed unanimously with 28 votes in favor. All senators listed as present for the meeting participated in this action, except for Senator Davidson and the Chairperson.

IV. Old Business

Prof. Cecilia Macheski brought back to the Senate the revised course proposal MAE103, Engineering Lab 2/Coop Internship. This item had originally been presented on November 15, 2006. However, the Senate did not act on the proposal at that time in order to enable Cooperative Education requirements to be clarified. After some discussion of these requirements, it was moved and seconded to adopt the revised course proposal MAE103, Engineering Lab 2/Coop Internship, as presented with some technical corrections. The motion passed unanimously with 27 votes in favor. All senators listed as present for the meeting participated in the action, except for Senators Davidson, Sanchirico, and the Chairperson.

On behalf of the Curriculum Committee, Prof. Macheski requested that the Senate consider the revised course proposal AMO270, Administrative Office Procedures, even though it was not processed in time to make it onto the formal agenda. Without objection, the Senate honored the request. After some discussion, it was moved and seconded to adopt the revised course proposal AMO270, Administrative Office Procedures, as presented. The motion received unanimous support, with 17 votes in favor. However, the motion was defeated since it did not receive the affirmative vote of an absolute majority of the Senate (23 votes required). All senators listed as present for the meeting participated in the action, except for Senators Berke, Cantwell, Coogan, Davidson, Glick, Gupta, Hu, Leonard, Octaviano, Rauscher, Richmond, Teplin, and the Chairperson. Several of the non-participating senators were present at the time of the vote and chose to abstain.

The meeting adjourned at 4:15 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Anthony Pappas
Secretary
College Senate

Nota Bene: This final approved version of these minutes incorporates a correction made at the Senate meeting of January 10, 2007.