

To: Members of the College Council
Date: March 21, 2017
From: Michael Sokolow, Secretary
Subject: Agenda for the Meeting of April 4, 2017

The College Council will meet on Tuesday, April 4, 2017 in Room M-240 at 3:00 PM.

AGENDA

- I. Approval of the minutes of the meeting held on November 15, 2016
- II. Reports
 - A. Ptgukfgh ?

Eligible student delegates shall be elected for one year terms in accordance with the constitution and bylaws of the Kingsborough Community College Student Government Association.

Part B (Kingsborough Community College Student Constituency Councils, Articles I-IX):

The entire section [see Attachment A, p.4 of the Agenda] shall be deleted, and replaced by the following language:

B. Kingsborough Community College Student Government Association

There shall be a Student Government Association charged with promoting and protecting the interests of all students, and with ensuring appropriate student representation on all campus boards and committees requiring student members. The Student Government shall be structured and governed according to the provisions outlined in the Student Government Association constitution and bylaws, provided that all provisions within said documents remain consistent with policies set forth by the City University of New York Board of Trustees.

Part D (Tjg Ptgukf gpyou Afxkuqt { Cqo okuukqp, Sgevkqp F):

The College Council has the primary responsibility and control over amendments to its Constitution, ~~and likewise, the Student Constituency Councils have primary responsibility and control over amendments to their Constitution all such~~ amendments, however, require the approval of the Board of Trustees.

C. Legislative Committee Report

The Legislative Committee will administer the nomination and election of the following representatives vq ugtxg qp vj g Ptgukf gpvøu Taum Fqteg hqt Bwf igv Recommendations along with appointed co-chair V.P. Ed Rios:

four (4) Faculty members

two (2) Student members

four (4) Staff members

with an additional three (3) Administrators who will be selected separately, not subject to College Council vote.

Task Force members will review the annual College Budget and share Budget information with their respective constituents. They will also convey budgetary recommendations through the committee to the President. Each member will serve a two-

a tie. No less than 51% of those present and voting shall carry any issue except impeachment and amendments, which require a 2/3 vote.

3. Quorum - A minimum of seven (7) people shall constitute a quorum. The Chairperson is not counted in the consideration of the quorum. The council which the Chairperson represents may choose another representative for their council. There shall be no more than three (3) representatives from each Council.

4. Powers -

a) SAC shall review all proposed organizations and make recommendations to the Kingsborough Association.

b) Clubs seeking charter must go to their related councils for review and recommendation to SAC. Any club not recommended by SAC for a charter may come before SAC (through the councils) repeatedly so long as they make an effort to conform to requirements for chartered organizations. c) SAC shall have the power to revoke any club charter.

5. Meetings - Meetings will be called as required. Regular meetings shall be held once each month. Members of SAC must be notified at least one (1) week in advance, of all meetings in writing, except in special emergency circumstances. The Secretary will be responsible for this notification. Meetings will be called by the Chairperson.

6. Officers -

A. Duties of Officers: (All officers shall be voted on by SAC representatives)

1. Chairperson -

- a. Shall cause meetings to be called when appropriate.
- b. Shall chair all meetings.
- c. Shall encourage activities among councils, for clubs and for the general student population.
- d. Shall maintain a communication link to all organizations on campus.

2. Vice Chairperson -

- a. Shall chair all meetings when Chairperson is not present.
- b. Shall carry out those duties specifically assigned by Chairperson.

3. Secretary -

- a. Shall take minutes of all meetings.
- b. Shall maintain records of all chartered organizations and their memberships as well as their officers, faculty advisors and time and place of meetings.

4. Treasurer -

- a. Shall keep accurate records of all expenditures of SAC and divide costs among all councils when appropriate.

B. Term of Office - One full school year commencing in September. In the event an office becomes vacant, a replacement will be elected for the remainder of the term of office.

7. Parliamentarian - Faculty advisor shall act as parliamentarian.

8. Amendments - These Bylaws may be amended at a meeting consisting of a quorum consisting of at least one (1) voting member of each council. Any amendment must be submitted in writing to SAC at a meeting, discussed at that meeting and may not be voted on until the next regularly scheduled meeting and discussed again at that meeting. A 2/3 vote of those voting is needed to pass the amendment.

9. In the event that the body of SAC sees the necessity for an emergency meeting, they may petition such a meeting with a 51% vote of voting members.

10. All meetings, except executive sessions, are open to all spectators.

Attachment B: Notes from Student Government on Proposal of Consolidation and Governance Changes

**KCC Student Government Association Consolidation
College Council Notes**

Justification

Due to the inclusion of so many details of Student Government in the campus governance plan, even routine updates to the Student Government constitution currently require a process extending from the students all the way to the Board of Trustees. This limits student autonomy in governance, and limits an ability to address issues within their organization, and makes it unnecessarily difficult for the organization to evolve.

Throughout CUNY, governance plans reference the role of Student Government in campus governance, but do not include details of how the Student Government functions, allowing those student governments the autonomy to manage their organizations while maintaining their role in campus governance.

Consolidated Structure

Under the consolidated structure, Student Government would become a single body with one executive board composed of seven officers and a senate with twelve members.

Student representation on campus boards, committees, and councils (including College Council, KCC Association, KCC Auxiliary, and others) would remain unchanged, but Student Government would be free to determine the appropriate method for selecting these representatives.

Timeline

Fall 2016 ó Students discuss the possibility/feasibility of consolidation and begin discussion/research related to a consolidated structure.

Winter 2017 ó Constituency councils approve development of a tentative consolidation plan and begin meetings to determine the details of the consolidation.

March ó Student body Petition to hold a campus vote regarding consolidation.

April 4 ó Coll. Council removes SGA constitution from college governance plan.

April 6 & 24 ó Public hearings for students to learn about and provide feedback on consolidation.

April 25-27 ó Student vote regarding consolidation and directly-related issues.

May 5 ó All materials and documentation due to CUNY Board of Trustees.

June 26 ó CUNY Board of Trustees approval of updated governance plan and SGA consolidation.

Fall 2017 ó SGA nominations, campaigning, and elections for 2017-2018 academic year.