The meeting was called to order at 4:06 p.m.

There were present:

Committee Members:
Hon. Freida D. Foster, Chair
Hon. Jeffrey S. Wiesenfeld, Vice Chair
Hon. Rita DiMartino
Hon. Charles Shorter
Prof. Kay Conway, faculty member
Hon. Cory Provost, student member

University Staff:
Chancellor Matthew Goldstein
Executive Vice Chancellor and Chief Operating Officer Allan Dobrin
Vice Chancellor Iris Weinshall

Trustee Staff:
Senior Vice Chancellor and Secretary of the Board Jay Hershenson
Senior Vice Chancellor and General Counsel Frederick Schaffer
Deputy to the Secretary Hourig Messerlian
Mr. Steven Quinn

The agenda items were considered in the following order:

I. ACTION ITEMS:

A. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF JUNE 6, 2011. The minutes were unanimously approved as submitted.

B. POLICY CALENDAR

2. Brooklyn College – TV Studio.

Vice Chancellor Iris Weinshall stated that this resolution would authorize the execution of a construction and equipment installation contract on behalf of Brooklyn College for reconstruction of the TV studio production facility in Whitehead Hall. Clearly, technologies over the last decades have really upgraded TV production and it has gone through a revolutionary change in the past few years. So the college would like to replace all of its current studio equipment with new state-of-the-art digital equipment. The college will also have to construct the studio facility infrastructure to accommodate these new technologies and to bring them into compliance with current building codes.

3. College of Staten Island – Residence Hall.

Vice Chancellor Weinshall noted that this resolution would authorize a ground lease and associated financial instruments for construction and management of a student housing facility at the College of Staten Island of approximately 458 beds. The Chancellor and the president of CSI have determined that providing a residence facility on the campus would promote and enhance the educational mission of the college and the University.
This facility will be located on a site on the north campus to be leased from DSNY to the CSI Auxiliary Services Corporation and the operation and the management of the facility will be arranged by a separate development and management agreement between the CSI entity and American Campus Communities. Committee members have seen this item before as a larger facility of well over a 600 beds at the College of Staten Island, but just as the project was being finalized the economy took a turn for the worse. The Central Office has since been working with both the college and American Campus Communities to come up with a more viable project that has been scaled back.


Vice Chancellor Weinshall stated that this resolution would authorize the City University Construction Fund to accept construction-related administrative fees from Hunter College for its services in connection with the construction and renovation of the Wexler Library. Hunter College received a rather substantial gift from a donor and CUCF will be doing all the design and construction related activities with this project. She pointed out that there is a correction, in that fees will not be imposed on this project.

Following discussion, items I.B.2 through I.B.4 were unanimously approved for submission to the Board.


Vice Chancellor Weinshall stated that this is a new master plan for Brooklyn College. The last master plan was adopted in 1995. Clearly the college’s needs have changed dramatically over the last decade and there has been a revolution in technologies for both construction as well as research and faculty and student support.

***PRESENTATION BY PFEIFFER PARTNERS LEED AP JEAN MARIE GATH***

In response to several questions from Committee members, Ms. Gath explained that there is always a tradeoff between sports and athletics in building sites and what her firm has suggested for the long term is to potentially relocate the tennis court. It is a major part of the program at Brooklyn College. The college community felt that some amount of open space was important in terms of active recreation, and asked Pfeiffer Partners to complement the activities that go inside the west quad building.

In response to another question from Dr. Sandi E. Cooper, Ms. Gath noted that the master plan is programmed so that it responds to the deans’ concept. It is flexible enough, however, that should the college go back to another concept, it can be achieved within the same building footprint.

Following discussion, items I.B.1 was unanimously approved for submission to the Board.

The meeting was adjourned at 4:40 p.m.