RESOLVED, That the proposed amendment to the Governance Plan of Lehman College be adopted, effective October 1, 2011.

EXPLANATION: The proposed amendment to the Governance Plan (“the Plan”) of Lehman College (“Lehman”) is recommended by the College President. It was not adopted by the Lehman College Senate because of the difficulty on two occasions of achieving the requisite high level of participation in the vote needed to pass the amendment. The Plan requires two-thirds of the Senate membership to pass amendments; although sufficient numbers of Senators were not present to satisfy this requirement, on both occasions the Senate passed the amendment by unanimous voice vote.

The only impact of this on the Plan is to change the designation of the student members of the College Senate from “Student Conference” to “Student Legislative Assembly.” This change would be in accord with a referendum approved by the Lehman student body establishing a Student Government Association (“SGA”). The SGA will enhance coordination among student leadership and benefit the student body. The SGA will consist of the Executive Board and the Student Legislative Assembly. The Executive Board will administer student affairs, and the students comprising the Student Legislative Assembly will constitute the student membership in the College Senate.