NEW COMMUNITY COLLEGE

Approval of Interim Governance Plan

RESOLVED. That the Board of Trustees approve the interim governance plan for the New Community College, set forth in Attachment I hereto.

EXPLANATION: The New Community College will enroll its first students in August 2012. As with other educational units established by the Board, it is appropriate for the New Community College to have an initial governance plan to guide its operations during its early years, with the understanding that as it grows and develops, the College will likely amend the governance plan to meet new circumstances. The proposed governance plan is informed by the Report of the Working Group on Governance and Organizational Structure, comprised of faculty and administrators from across the City University and other institutions, the work of the New Community College Governance Task Force, comprised of faculty and staff of the College and supported by the University’s General Counsel, and broad discussion within the College community. It incorporates a simplified structure appropriate to a small start-up institution with an interdisciplinary core curriculum and a limited number of majors. Over time, there may be a need to include provisions for the election of faculty representatives to the College Council (rather than having all faculty serve), the election of adjunct faculty to the College Council, the establishment of programs and program officers, and other provisions appropriate to a large, highly structured institution.