

MINUTES OF THE AUXILIARY ENTERPRISES BOARD MEETING
JANUARY 09, 2018, 12:00 P.M. – ROOM A-209

PRESENT

Administration

Dr. Tasheka Sutton-Young, Chairperson
Vice President Eduardo Rios, Treasurer
Dean Christine Beckner
Ms. Judith Cohen

Faculty

Professor Steve Janowsky
Professor Juan Franquiz – conference line
Professor Elizabeth Mulligan

Independents

Ms. Jennifer Fernandez – conference line

Students

Mr. Norman Wagstaffe
Mr. Daron Peters

Dr. Tasheka Sutton-Young called the meeting to order at 12:00 p.m.
Introductions made for those in attendance.

1. Agenda Item: Cafeteria Vendor – Metropolitan Food Services –
Termination of Contract –

Vice President Eduardo Rios thanked everyone for attending the meeting to discuss this urgent matter. Vice President Rios gave a brief summary of the issues that have arisen since Metropolitan Food Services became the food vendor provider for Kingsborough Community College.

There was a closure of the cafeteria by the Department of Health in October 2017. There was a second closure of the cafeteria by the Department of Health in December 2017 due to cleanliness issues. These closures caught Kingsborough by surprise. Metropolitan Food Services has contracts with four (4) other CUNY campuses.

Kingsborough has gone beyond to help Metropolitan Food Services maintain pristine conditions in their serveries. After the second closure, Kingsborough has no recourse but to sever the contract with the vendor.

The contract with Metropolitan Food Services has a legal option to give a ninety-day notice to the vendor. Questions were raised. [Can Metropolitan leave before ninety-day option is completed. Vice President Rios stated that “we can hold them to the ninety-day clause by contract; not their option; they can request to leave before ninety-days.” Board members were also concerned regarding a plan of action on how to move forward after the departure of Metropolitan. In planning next steps, the Board will meet to discuss options open to Kingsborough Community College. Some of these options include, food trucks, self-vending machines, Grab-and-go counter. This will allow food services to continue until a new vendor is chosen.

Vice President Rios informed the board of the Capital Investment Plan clause within the current contract with Metropolitan for \$110,000. This plan covers three years with a two 2-year renewal options. Since we are seeking to terminate the current contract, the college will be responsible for paying back a portion of the capital investment plan.

Vice President Rios is asking the Board for approval to terminate the contract with food service vendor, Metropolitan Food Services.

Judith Cohen made the motion to terminate contract with Metropolitan Food Services. Norman Wagstaffe seconded the motion. Motion to terminate contract with Metropolitan Food Services approved.

Chairperson Dr. Sutton-Young reiterated the importance of the confidentiality of this Auxiliary Enterprises Board meeting. Vice President Rios concurred.

The meeting was adjourned at 12:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Eduardo Rios
Treasurer