



MINUTES of the 168th ANNUAL MEETING

Thursday, June 11, 2020, 6:00 PM

On-line (Zoom meeting)

Attendance sheet attached

I. WELCOME

Gary Calnek '67, President of the Alumni Association, served as Master of Ceremonies for the evening. The meeting was called to order at 6:04pm. Mr. Calnek welcomed everyone to the 168th Annual Alumni Meeting of association members.

Mr. Calnek reminded the members and guests that the Alumni Association of CCNY is the oldest alumni association connected to a public college in the United States and is an independent, incorporated, membership organization (501c3).

Mr. Calnek mentioned the following highlights and challenges from this past year:

- The association has gone through a leadership transition – on the executive level, welcoming David Covington as the new Executive Director. And on the board level, welcoming a new executive committee and board leadership.
- The board of directors focused on bringing association documents up-to-date, stabilizing finances, and developing a new communication strategy for membership.
- The coronavirus (COVID-19) pandemic presented a significant challenge to the association (and the rest of the world) as we continue to quarantine, work remotely, and move all events to the virtual environment (or cancel).
- Mr. Calnek took a moment to express sincere condolences to anyone in the membership who has suffered a loss during this very challenging time.
- The association's membership campaign for FY ending June 30, 2021 begins now. Mr. Calnek implored members to renew their membership as soon as possible. He also pointed out that the association is now offering a new, monthly payment plan option. This new option was offered due to the economic uncertainty many members are experiencing because of the coronavirus pandemic.
- The nation has been grappling with a deep desire for accountability and racial justice against the unnecessary deaths of Ahmaud Arbery, Breonna Taylor, and George Floyd – regrettably the most recent names of known and unknown individuals brutalized at the hands of the police. Mr. Calnek recognized the recent statement on racial justice released by President Boudreau. He also announced the Alumni Association will follow suit and release a statement within the next few days.
- Unfortunately, due to the challenges posed by the coronavirus, the executive committee has determined that in-person gala will not be possible in November. However, the staff will pivot to planning a virtual celebration – to be held on the same date, November 5, 2020.

Lastly, Mr. Calnek reviewed how voting will proceed for the evening – while on zoom. When a motion is made for a vote, the Chair will invite all members to unmute and present their votes (with any discussion necessary) in the following order: 1) those voting against, 2) abstentions, and finally, 3) acceptance. Hearing no votes against or in abstention ne, the chair will assume all others present to be voting in-favor of the motion.

I. Consideration of 167th Annual Meeting Minutes

Gary Calnek asked the members of the Board if there were any comments regarding the minutes of the 167th Annual Meeting held June 2019.

There was a motion by Randy Brozen '01 to waive the reading of the minutes of the 167th Annual Meeting and to accept the minutes as presented. It was seconded by Richard von Zerneck '66, '68. The minutes of the 167th Alumni Association Annual Meeting were unanimously accepted as presented.

III. Guest Speaker: CCNY President, Dr. Vincent Boudreau

Gary Calnek introduced Dr. Vincent Boudreau, President of CCNY, and thanked him for joining the alumni association membership today.

Dr. Boudreau spoke to the membership about the Budget, plans to re-open the campus, and other College priorities.

- Budget
 - CCNY still does not know what the budget will be.
 - Planning for a 10% budget cut (similar to the 1970s budget crisis for CUNY); but also could be as large as a 20% budget cut.
 - One way to combat this trend is to increase our enrollment by lowering standards.
 - Budget is structured as follows:
 - Approximately 80% of budget is salary for Union employees – these salaries cannot be reduced easily. It would involve the union, CUNY, and even state agreement.
 - The 20% that remains – part-time employees, supplies, events, adjuncts, etc.
 - Cuts that need to be made are going to be focused on this part of the budget (the 20%)
- Priorities are: keeping the campus community safe and figuring out how to get the College through this crisis intact.
- Plans to re-open campus
 - Virtual storefronts are being set up for all critical operations (financial aid, registrar, etc.)
 - Massive campus wide effort to reopen the campus with following considerations:
 - Identification of what services/functions must be done on campus vs. remote.
 - Identification of individual risk – will only require those who are least at risk to come to campus.
 - Cancelling all events/activities that are not required and pose significant risk.
 - Identification of protocols for those activities that MUST take place on campus (labs, essential service, etc.)
- Recent memo from the President that commits the campus to two things re: racial justice.

- Professors of every discipline required to incorporate awareness of how the teachable skills in the classroom can illuminate or mitigate racial injustice/inequalities.
- Utilizing the stronger relationships with community service advocacy groups in Harlem and surrounding communities, position CCNY (reimagine the College) as a lynchpin to NYC – making our expertise available to NYC and the rebuilding of our communities post-pandemic.

Dr. Boudreau also took a few questions and addressed the following issues:

- Budget breakdown – 0% is endowment; state funding (35-40%); Tuition (60-65%).
- When considering our budget crisis, it is critical for everyone to understand the TAP Gap. Essentially, when tuition (approx. \$7000 annually) goes up, but state funding remains the same (financial aid, full tuition support is stuck at approx. \$5500). And so, the gap between tuition and financial aid provided by state gets larger. This gap – the College is responsible for. Currently there is about \$15million to accommodate annually due to the “TAP gap.”
- A 10% budget cut (of total budget) equates to approximately a \$15million cut. This is on top of an existing \$3million budget shortfall that already existed prior to the arrival of the pandemic. So in total, the College is looking to cut approximately \$18million in the budget.
- Students are reacting to remote learning in various ways. Surveys and social media seem to paint a picture where:
 - Students have given the College “a pass” as we all deal with the challenges posed by the pandemic.
 - Online instruction should move from synchronous instruction to asynchronous instruction to accommodate the many individual needs of our students.
 - Moving our summer schedule online has increased summer enrollment by 25%.
 - Current projections for the fall show about a 6% drop in enrollment.
 - The College has plenty of laptops and tablets (with internet access) available for student need, should the need persist.
- Visit <https://www.ccny.cuny.edu/presidentsoffice/blog/covid-19> to stay informed, in real-time, with what is happening at the College during this crisis.
- Other ways for the alumni to help:
 - putting flexible resources in the hands of the College to use where most needed,
 - advocate for the College – message to the community just how vital CCNY is to NYC.

IV. 2021 Alumni Association Service Awards

A. Faculty Service Award

Richard Zerneck '66 '68, Chair of the Faculty and Administrative Staff Service Awards Committee presented the 2021 Faculty Service Award, for service to students above and beyond the call of duty. This year's honoree: Dr. Kathleen Potts, Assistant Professor, Department of Theatre and Speech.

B. Staff Service

Richard Zerneck '66 '68, also presented the 2021 Administrative Staff Service Award, for service to the College community above and beyond the call of duty. This year's honoree: Moe Liu D'Albero, Director of Budget Operations, Office of The Dean, Division of Humanities and the Arts.

C. Alumni Service

Thomasine Vaughn '76, '84, Chair of the Alumni Service Awards Committee, presented the 2021 Alumni Service awards, for exemplary service to the Association and the College, to the following alumni association members:

Phil Barsky '68
Delores C. Dixon '77
Lebab Fallin '08
Charles Ranieri '13

V. Election of Directors

Peter Goodman '61, President of the Education Alumni Group and member of the Nominating Committee, presented the following slate of Officers, Directors and members of the Nominating Committee to take office on July 1, 2020.

Class A Directors to serve for 3 years commencing July 1, 2020, ending June 30, 2023:

Randy Brozen '01
Lebab Fallin '08
Richard Zerneck '66
Henry Sheehan '09, '13MA
Yvette Burke-Forehand '05

Class B Directors, or Officers of The Corporation, to serve 1 year commencing July 1, 2020, ending June 30, 2021:

President: Gary A. Calnek '67
1st Vice Pres.: Lawrence S. Greengrass '73
2nd Vice Pres.: Dr. Joyce A. Coppin '58E
3rd Vice Pres.: Xinpei Qu '87
Secretary: Shawn Chin-Chance '05
Treasurer: Edward Jackson '71
Historian: Jacqueline C Brooks '80, '83MFA

Class C Directors, or Affiliate Group Presidents*, to serve for 1 year beginning July 1, 2020, ending June 30, 2021:

AVA: Heather Ruger '14, President
ARCHITECTURE: Ilizarov, Yuliya '08, President
ART: Randy L. Brozen '01MFA, President
ASIAN: Wai (Helen) Mui '91E, '93MSE, President
BLACK: Quincy A. Allen '00, President
CWE: Ninoshka (Nina) Woods '12, President
LATINO: Franklin Chuqui '09Arch, President
COMMUNICATIONS: Jane Tillman Irving '69, President
EDUCATION: Peter Goodman '61, President

POLITICAL SCIENCE: Shawn Chin-Chance '05, President

ROTC: Allen J. Rothman '68, President

SCIENCE: Vacant

BUSINESS & ECON: Charles Ranieri '13, President

ENGINEERING: Diniece Peters '12CE, President

YOUNG PROFESSIONAL: Alejandro Sanchez '17, President

*Affiliate Group Presidents may opt to name a member of their board to serve as the Affiliate Class C representative. Affiliates must notify the Executive Director before the beginning of the fiscal year (July 1, 2020).

New members of the Nominating Committee to serve for 3 years commencing July 1, 2020, ending June 30, 2023:

Anne Mancuso '75

Carol Kurth '80, '81ARCH

Thomasine Vaughan '76

A motion was made by Peter Goodman '61 to cast one vote for the slate as presented. The vote was unanimously carried.

VI. Closing Remarks

Gary Calnek thanked the presenters and members for their attendance. He reminded members to please:

- respond to the membership renewal letter by end of the month.
- Save the date – November 5 – for the Annual Alumni Gala (virtual edition).
- Complete your U.S. Census.
- Stay safe – practice social distancing and other Covid-19 protocols.
- Stay connected to the Alumni Association!

A motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Allen J. Rothman '68. Seconded by C. Ellen Golding '62Psych, '65MSE. The vote was unanimously carried. The meeting adjourned at 7:28pm.

Submitted and prepared by: David Covington, Executive Director

Edited by: Shawn-Chin Chance, Secretary, Board of Directors

Alumni Association of CCNY

Annual Meeting of Members -- Attendance

June 10, 2020 | 6pm

Online (Zoom)

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