

# NEW YORK CITY COLLEGE OF TECHNOLOGY THE CITY UNIVERSITY OF NEW YORK

The Budget Committee of College Council Minutes of the Meeting of February 2, 2021

Present: M. F. Cairol (Vice President for Administration and Finance), Renata Budny (Chair), Rosa Abreu (Secretary), Anthony Sena, Hon Teo, Yu Wang, Concetta Mannella, Abigail Thomas, Robert Leston, Ben Mendoza (guest)

Absent: Douglas Davis

Call to order made by Chair Renata Budny

Aquorum was achieved with (8) out of (9) voting members present. Official meeting began at 1:00 pm.

Chair welcomed Ben Mendoza who is part of the Executive Committee

Meeting minutes for November 10, 2020 were approved by the committee.

## **Budget**

No news in the state budget. CUNY does not have one, all colleges will receive a month to month stipend until March.

The state has a \$14 Billion deficit.

New budget year will be for July 1, 2021.

## **Capital Budget**

No money for new construction

## **Enrollment**

Close to 13,000 students, less enrollment equals less revenue.

## **Board meeting on February 1, 2021**

Barbara Bowen asked about the federal money. What is CUNY going to do with it? Give it to the colleges?

## **CUNY**

Federal financial help was assigned to CUNY however, the rules are not clear on how the funds should be distributed. Can CUNY use it for their operating budget?

CUNY Central is not picking up contractual obligation the colleges will be responsible for them. The Executive Committee meeting met on November 15, 2020 and the salary increases has been postponed.

The state is not picking up the benefits.

Colleges will be able to charge the direct costs due to the virus.

The state has agreed to close TAP gap however will not be until 2023. The colleges will need \$50 million to close the TAP gap.

## **Current state of CityTech**

Student government did not receive Zoom license until Spring semester 2021.

College was asked by the state to be a vaccination center

Instructors qualified to take the vaccine

Teaching online classes is a savings for the state? Online courses represent a savings to the state.

Is Citytech having more online classes in the future? VIP Clairor responded, "he does not make teaching policies."

Re-opening for Fall 2021 will depend on what happens in the next few months, things continue to evolve. How many students will be per class to keep social distance?

Students getting less hours in the lab if the classes are split-we need more sections. We cannot hire additional instructors and we are going to run out of space for additional classes.

In person lab for Engineering classes will be re-opening in the Fall.

Where are facilities savings going? Is goes back to the colleges for projects. How much of this money will be allowed to cover the operation? We are getting the savings we saved, and they go to maintenance, and online classes.

Maintenance and essential workers for example, custodians and engineers are working fulltime. The engineers maintain the building, the plumbers must flush all restrooms, electrician and carpenters are working.

Can plexiglass be used as barrier between students? It will not be feasible to use. Plexiglass is expensive, the school does not have enough money.

## **FTEs-CityTech**

No new classes for Public Safety officers because of the virus. It takes 14 weeks for them to graduate.

## **Ongoing projects**

The Jay Street entrance will be completed it at the end of the calendar year.  
Construction of the Pearl building will be done in the Spring.

The following is federal funding report:

The U.S. Department of Education released details on how much money thousands of colleges and universities are receiving out of \$21.2 billion in COVID-19 emergency funding signed into law at the end of December 2021. In total, about \$20.5 billion is going to public and nonprofit colleges and universities. [The money](#) is split between funding reserved for student grants and funding that can go toward other institutional costs like lost revenue or paying for technology used in distance education.

CUNY was allocated \$455 million in federal funding.

Also, Governor Cuomo released the Executive Budget proposal along with two plans to close the State's \$15 billion deficit. ([Video of his presentation and news release](#).) The first plan assumes a \$6 billion infusion of stimulus funding from Washington and closes the remaining gap with a combination of 5% across-the-board budget cuts and revenue raisers, notably a [temporary, refundable](#) tax rate increase for extremely high earners, mobile sports gambling, and marijuana legalization. The second plan would close the entire deficit with federal stimulus money. According to PCS-CUNY (2021 1 27 email), both budget plans would rob CUNY of the robust investment needed to help launch NYC and CUNY's recovery from the pandemic

Institution Name *	State	Institution Type	Minimum Amount for Student Aid Portion	Maximum Amount for Institutional Portion	Total Award
Canton City School District Adult Career & Technical Ed	OH	Public	\$90,773	\$157,203	\$247,976
New York City College of Technology of the City University	NY	Public	\$8,104,664	\$22,755,402	\$30,860,066
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City College of New York - CUNY	NY	Public	\$7,699,953	\$19,401,665	\$27,101,618
College of Staten Island/CUNY	NY	Public	\$6,297,978	\$16,267,968	\$22,565,946
CUNY Bernard M. Baruch College	NY	Public	\$8,281,613	\$20,215,350	\$28,496,963
CUNY Borough of Manhattan Community College	NY	Public	\$13,210,414	\$42,008,078	\$55,218,492
CUNY Bronx Community College	NY	Public	\$4,829,313	\$16,826,494	\$21,655,807
CUNY Brooklyn College	NY	Public	\$8,813,665	\$22,392,540	\$31,206,205
CUNY Graduate School & University Center	NY	Public	\$388,067	\$1,489,892	\$1,877,959
CUNY Hunter College	NY	Public	\$9,503,479	\$24,053,647	\$33,557,126
CUNY John Jay College of Criminal Justice	NY	Public	\$7,660,005	\$19,975,839	\$27,635,844
CUNY LaGuardia Community College	NY	Public	\$6,458,616	\$21,278,721	\$27,737,337
CUNY Lehman College	NY	Public	\$6,646,548	\$19,220,371	\$25,866,919
CUNY Medgar Evers College	NY	Public	\$3,554,719	\$10,060,945	\$13,615,664
CUNY Queens College	NY	Public	\$8,368,399	\$21,122,780	\$29,491,179
CUNY School of Law (The)	NY	Public	\$70,998	\$154,398	\$225,396
CUNY York College	NY	Public	\$3,602,707	\$10,404,642	\$14,007,349
CUNY, Hostos Community College	NY	Public	\$3,633,715	\$12,403,978	\$16,037,693
Kingsborough Community College/CUNY	NY	Public	\$5,078,261	\$17,079,481	\$22,157,742
Queensborough Community College-CUNY	NY	Public	\$5,660,540	\$18,041,043	\$23,701,583

(Source: <https://www.insidehighered.com/news/2021/01/18/search-find-how-much-funding-your-college-or-university-will-receive-new-round-covid>)

Meeting adjourned at 2:00pm Respectfully submitted by Rosa Abreu

Future Standing Committee meetings: 3/2; 4/6  
 College Council meetings: 2/23; 3/23; 4/27  
 5/11/2020 College Council Organizational Meeting