

COMMITTEE ON CAMPUS LIFE AND FACILITIES
Year 2009/10

Meeting Date: March 24, 2010

In Attendance: Janette Tilley (Chair), Teresita Levy, Claudia Amoama, Michaelle Garlon, Dennis Kim, CASA CFO ex Officio

1. Report from Rene Rotolo on budget funding for Science Building was circulated via e-mail.
2. Carman Hall Café: Complaints from the student body about the state of repair and cleanliness of chairs in the Café and the lack of available seating in this space.
3. Library: Complaints from the student body about the state of cleanliness and repair of chairs in the library basement. Also concerns that these are very uncomfortable chairs.
4. Parking: Concern on the part of student over the lack of parking spaces available to them. Pass holders are finding it very difficult to locate a spot. Some question about how the two lots are managed and if students are permitted to part in another lot when there is little faculty presence.
5. Food Services: general concern over the prices being too high. Many students were highly motivated when then new vendor took over, but the “sticker shock” keeps many people away now. The perception of the cafeteria among students is relatively low, with the exception of the new salad bar which always has a line. There seems to be a need to regain the faith of students vis-à-vis the music building cafeteria. It was suggested that perhaps the cafeteria could offer a “student meal deal” every day with one item at budget price on a rotating schedule as the Graduate Center does. It isn’t entirely clear what the student body would feel is a “fair price” so some research needs to be done. Suggestion made that students study how comparable items is at other CUNY cafeterias are priced. Some question about the commission margin for the vendor and possibility that it is too high, causing prices to students to be too high.
6. Library Computers: Students would like to see some computers in study carrels as they are at Brooklyn College so that when students are working on papers, they are not disturbed by others around them at the communal tables.

Next meeting to be held Wednesday, April 21 at 3:30pm. Place to be arranged.