

Office of The Hunter College Senate

MINUTES

Regular Meeting of The Hunter College Senate  
December 11, 1973

	The thirty- <sup>74</sup> <del>second</del> meeting of The Hunter College Senate was convened at 4:50 p.m. at the Hunter College Playhouse.	1 2
Presiding:	Charles M. Sherover, Chairman	3
Attendance:	The elected members of the Senate with the exception of those noted by the Secretary as listed in Appendix I.	4 5
Minutes:	The Minutes of November 13, 1973 were approved with the following correction: page 166, line 157 change to "Students of demonstrated academic achievements..."	6 7 8
Report by the President:	President Wexler addressed the Senate with a report on the Energy Crisis. She indicated that avenues were being explored to deal with the conservation of energy at all units of Hunter College.	9 10 11
Administrative Committee Report:	Prof. Margaret Magnus, Secretary of the Senate, presented its report as follows:	12 13
	1. Proposed the following resolution:	14
	"BE IT RESOLVED, that the Administrative Committee be authorized to form an ad-hoc committee to explore the feasibility of providing a method of transportation for students and faculty between the main building and other college centers, and BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this committee shall consist of 3 faculty members, 3 students, and 1 administrator."	15 16 17 18 19 20 21
	The resolution carried unanimously by voice vote.	22
	Prof. Magnus then asked that persons interested in serving on this committee contact the Senate Office indicating their willingness to serve.	23 24 25
	2. Stated that the regularly scheduled "overflow" meeting of the Senate scheduled for December 18, 1973 conflicts with the President's Christmas Party. The Administrative Committee recommends that this meeting be scheduled for Thursday December 20, at 4:30 p.m. at the Hunter College Playhouse, in view of the fact that important items are on the Agenda for this meeting, which need to be discussed and voted upon. It was so moved and seconded.	26 27 28 29 30 31 32 33
	The motion carried by hand vote with 35 in favor and 27 opposed.	34
Nominating Committee:	Prof. Josephine Comito, Chairman of the Committee, presented its report as follows:	35 36
	1. Stated that there are many committee vacancies, but not enough nominees for the various vacancies, especially with regard to student seats. She informed the Senate that the Committee intends to place an ad in the Hunter Envoy. She then listed the committees where vacancies are to be filled:	37 38 39 40 41
	a. Committee on Undergraduate Academic Requirements - 1 Student vacancy (SEEK)	42 43
	b. Undergraduate Course of Study Committee - 2 Student vacancies	44
	c. Committee on Evaluation of Teaching - 2 Student vacancies (1-SGS, 1-Graduate)	45 46
	d. Committee on the Budget - 1 Student vacancy (SGS)	47
	e. Charter Review Committee - 1 Faculty and 1 Student vacancy	48
	f. Committee on Sessional Equality - 1 Student vacancy (Day)	49

2. Committee on Evaluation of Teaching 50  
Prof. Comito announced that the only nomination from the 51  
Committee for this meeting is that of Mr. Robert Brown to 52  
fill one SGS student vacancy on the Committee on Evaluation 53  
of Teaching. 54

There being no further nominations, Mr. Robert Brown was elected 55  
by voice vote. 56

Miss Janice Chiang was nominated from the floor to fill the 57  
student vacancy on the Committee on Undergraduate Course of 58  
Study. 59

Prof. Russell White objected to using Senate time for filling 60  
these committee vacancies. He moved and it was seconded that 61  
nominations be recommitted to the Nominating Committee. 62

The motion carried unanimously by voice vote. 63

3. Committee on Honors Societies 64  
Prof. Comito stated that there is one faculty vacancy on 65  
this Committee. She announced that the Nominating Committee 66  
felt that, instead of filling this vacancy, the Committee on 67  
Honors Societies be abolished, unless the Senate would 68  
re-state its functions. She then moved for the abolishment 69  
of this Committee. 70

Provost Maynard moved to reconsider and postpone this decision 71  
until the next meeting, in order to give Dean Hopwood and 72  
Dean Heldeman an opportunity to talk on its behalf. 73

This motion to postpone was seconded and carried by voice vote. 74

4. Student Standing Committee 75  
Prof. Comito stated that Evening Session Council should be 76  
represented on this committee as per the Governance Charter. 77  
Prof. Bonni Seegmiller was elected by ESC as their 78  
representative. Because of an earlier oversight, Prof. Comito 79  
asked the Senate to make an exception and allow Prof. 80  
Seegmiller to be an additional voting member on this Committee 81  
until such time as there is a vacancy. 82

Prof. Nordmeyer advised the Chair to rule that this is out of 83  
order, and it was so ordered. 84

Prof. Korn proposed to resign in terms of voting right, but 85  
not as a member. 86

Prof. Mirenda announced that she will be on sabbatical and 87  
would therefore vacate her seat. 88

A motion to elect Prof. Seegmiller to fill this vacancy carried 89  
unanimously by voice vote. 90

Graduate Prof. Joan Buxbaum, Chairman of the Committee, presented its 91  
Course of report as follows: 92  
-Study

Committee: 1. Moved for approval of items G 50, G 53, and G 55 as a group. 93

Upon request by the Chair, she informed the Senate that G 50 94  
and G 55 were passed by the Committee with a vote of 8 in favor 95  
and 1 abstention, and that G 53 was approved unanimously. 96

The motion to approve G 50, G 53, and G 55 carried unanimously 97  
by voice vote. 98

Undergraduate Prof. Nancy Dean, Chairman of the Committee moved that approval 99  
Course of be granted for U 120, U 122, and U 124. She stated that each of 100  
Study these proposals were passed by the Committee unanimously. 101  
Committee:

The Senate passed each item separately, and U 120, U 122, U 124, 102  
were approved unanimously by voice vote. 103

Committee on Departmental Governance:	Prof. Alfred Bennick delivered the report for Dean Weyl. He	104
	stated that the Committee had approved unanimously a recommenda-	105
	tion that the Senate approve the Amendment to the By-Laws of the	106
	Departments of Theatre & Cinema and Geology & Geography. He	107
	then moved for approval of the Amendment.	108
	Dean Seiger moved that the following be added to the proposed	109
	Amendment of By-Laws of the Department of Theatre & Cinema,	110
	Section B on page 2, <u>Duties</u> : "b) proposing to the Department	111
	(new courses and course changes and programs)."	112
	The motion carried unanimously by voice vote.	113
	The original motion to approve the Amendment of By-Laws of the	114
	Departments of Theatre & Cinema and Geology & Geography, carried	115
	unanimously by voice vote as amended.	116
Old Business:	Prof. Elie deComminges objected to the fact that communications	117
	from the Committee on Evaluation of Teaching were sent out under	118
	the name of Victor Toledo, Office of Institutional Research.	119
	After discussion, Mr. Ronald Rizzuto, Chairman of the Committee	120
	on Evaluation of Teaching, stated that he would arrange with	121
	Mr. Toledo that all future communication from the Committee	122
	be sent out under his name as Chairman of the Committee.	123
New Business:	Mr. Mitchell Eisenstat moved that the Hunter College Senate	124
	form a "Special Committee to Study a Student Bill of Rights,"	125
	which is to report its findings back to the Senate, and that	126
	it be composed of 3 students and 3 faculty members.	127
	After discussion the Chair asked that a vote be taken on the	128
	principle of establishing this Committee.	124
	The motion to form the Committee carried by hand vote with 43	125
	in favor and 10 opposed.	126
	Prof. Tannenbaum moved that the Committee be composed of	127
	3 students, 3 faculty members, and 1 administrator.	128
	Prof. deComminges moved that the motion be amended by adding	129
	"1 administrator to serve without vote." The motion carried	130
	by voice vote.	131
	After discussion Prof. Tannenbaum's motion carried as amended	132
	by hand vote.	133
	Prof. Tannenbaum then moved that this Committee be directed to	134
	coordinate with the Charter Review Committee. This motion was	135
	defeated.	136
	Prof. Magnus moved, and it was seconded, that the preparation	137
	of a slate of members for this new Committee be referred to the	138
	Nominating Committee.	139
	The motion was defeated with 30 opposed and 18 in favor.	140
	The floor was then opened for nominations.	141
	Prof. deComminges moved that the membership be divided	142
	sessionally, i.e. one faculty and one student from Day Session,	143
	one faculty and one student from Evening Session, one faculty	144
	and one student from Graduate Division.	145
	The motion carried with 39 in favor and 9 opposed.	146
	The Senate proceeded to elect the members for the "Special	147
	Committee to Study a Student Bill of Rights," and the following	148
	were elected by hand vote:	149

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STUDENTS

Mitchell Eisenstat	- Day Session	150
Thom Burns	- Evening Session	151
Doris Chee	- Graduate	152

FACULTY

Sam Korn	- Day Session (Psychology)	153
Jo Ann McNamara	- Evening Session (History)	154
James Harrison	- Graduate (Music)	155

ADMINISTRATOR

Blanche Blank	- Dean of Social Sciences	156
The Chair inquired if there were any objections to asking Dean Blank to convene the first meeting. There being no objection, it was so ordered.		157 158 159
It was moved and seconded to adjourn the meeting.		160
The motion carried unanimously, and the meeting was adjourned at 6:25 p.m.		161 162

Respectfully submitted,

*Margaret Magnus*

Margaret Magnus,  
Secretary

APPENDIX I

The following members are noted as absent from the meeting:

Adler, Norman - Pol. Science	Keneally, Elizabeth
Alaimo, Joanne	Krauss, Herbert - Psychology
Arfa, Milton - German	Lane, David - Library
Bain, Myrna - Black & P.R.Studies	Lange, Jack
Barbieri, Steve	LaPointe, Rosemary
Bartolomei, Roy - History	Levitt, Harold
Beveridge, David,- Chemistry	Liscio, Richard
Blanche Blank	Mackler, Bernard - Curric.&Teaching
Brett, Richard - English	Matthews, Evelyn
Broyles, Mary	McManus, Anne
Buckler, Harry - Bus. Education	McNamara, Joann - History
Burke, Michael	Ment, David - Educ. Foundations
Butler, David	Meyerson, Susan
Carpenter, Floyd	Murphy, Mariette
Cavallero, George	Nahins, Todd
Chace, William - Romance Lang.	Nuss, Joel
Chiang, Jean	Pagano, Nick
Chilvers, Chris	Patton, Robert
Cooper, Anita	Pecelli, Giampiero - Mathematics
Cunningham, Dorothy -Health Science	Peterson, Catherine
Danna, Robert	Pandy, Amrit
DeFrancis, Eileen	Reiff, Rosanna - Bus. Education
Dobrof, Rose - School of Soc.Work	Rosenfeld, Lawrence - Communications
Duggan, John	Rothschild, Marilyn - Physics
Diggs, Mary - Sociology	Salins, Peter - Urban Affairs
Early, Lawrence	Sanchez, Jose - Black & P.R.Studies
Eisenberg, Walter	Schneider, Bernard
Fishman, Sylvia - Health &Phys.Ed.	Slater, Peter
Flashner, Esther - Economics	Sorscher, Esther
Gambaro, Eunice	Spierman, Michael - Music
Gamble, Mae - Curric.& Teaching	Shahn, Ezra - Biology
Geyer, Herbert - Economics	Scott, Marvin - Sociology
Gibbson, Gloria	Strauss, Michael
Greenstein, Karen	Stuart, Mildred - Curr.& Teaching
Grossman, William - Chemistry	Tryon, Edward - Physics & Astronomy
Haber, Martin	Tomkins, Richard - Theatre & Cinema
Hopwood, Kathryn	Wangler, Lynda
Johnson, Carl - Educ.Foundations	Ward, Ralph - Classics
	Wijnen, M.H.J. - Chemistry
	Weyl, Joachim
	Zucker, Sue
	Williams, James, English