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THE GENERAL FACULTY STATEMENT ON MUTUAL RESPECT AT HUNTER COLLEGE**

The General Faculty of Hunter College condemns the recent acts of vandalism and threats in and outside the History Department Office. We reject as destructive to the community any violence no matter what causes are endorsed.

At this college we remain committed to developing an academic community where all peoples of whatever age, national origin, sexual orientation, however challenged--physically, emotionally, or intellectually--can come to live and work together; where racism, classism, ageism, sexism, homophobia have no place.

For Hunter to achieve its educational aims, the college community must support the development of all people and work together to foster a nurturing environment. This process is ongoing and requires intelligent and sustained commitment by all of us: faculty, staff, students, and administration.

Furthermore, we are committed to exploring existing avenues and to creating new opportunities to increase communications and encourage dialogue among all segments of the Hunter community.

****Passed unanimously at the Dec. 19, 1990 meeting of The General Faculty**

"PERSIAN GULF LEARN-IN"

During the week of February 18-22, a group of Hunter faculty, staff, and students have organized information-sharing activities relating to the war in the Persian Gulf.

The schedule and topics are as follows:

Tues.: "Military: Recruitment and Resistance"

Wed.: "History and Geopolitics of the Gulf War"

Thur.: "Media and the War"

Frid.: "The War at Home"

Except for the Wednesday session, which will be held in Room 615W, 1:00 - 3:00 p.m., all sessions will be held in 1st Floor West Lounge, 12:00 - 2:00 p.m.

These are stressful times for all of us. We should look for ways to support and encourage each other, while seeking out opportunities for dialogue and information exchange.

1991-1992 EXECUTIVE BUDGET PROPOSAL FOR CUNY

The New York State Executive Budget proposal has been released by the Governor. The proposal reduces state aid to CUNY by \$92 million. This includes \$75.6 million cut in support of the senior colleges and a \$12 million cut in state financial aid to CUNY students. The proposal calls for the reduction of full-time positions at the senior colleges by 810 and an anticipated tuition increase for CUNY students of "up to \$500."

This does indeed place CUNY at a "crossroads," as the budget highlights indicate. Administration, faculty, staff, and students have thirty days to respond to the proposal. Coordinated efforts are being made to maximize the effect of our collective response to this untenable proposal. A copy of the budget statement pertaining to CUNY has been placed in the library for anyone who wishes to review the entire document. Also, a copy is available in the office of the Faculty Delegate Assembly.

FACULTY DEVELOPMENT CONFERENCE

The Faculty Development Conference, "Teaching in a Multicultural Setting," was held on Thursday, January 24, 1991. This remarkable event was considered highly successful by a large gathering of faculty from across the disciplines.

Special words of appreciation go to Provost Laura Struminger for co-sponsoring the conference with The Faculty Delegate Assembly. Professors Nancy Dean and Mae Gamble are to be congratulated for the fine job they did in planning, organizing, and overseeing every aspect of the day. Thanks also goes to Nelly Melendez, FDA Office Assistant, for her gracious assistance with "behind-the-scenes" activities.

SPRING SEMESTER MEETINGS

The meeting schedule for The General Faculty and The Faculty Delegate Assembly is as follows:

Wed., Feb. 20: General Faculty

Wed., March 20: Faculty Delegate Assembly

Wed., April 17: Faculty Delegate Assembly

Wed., May 15: General Faculty

Unless otherwise announced, each meeting will be held in Room 709 West from 1:15 - 3:00 p.m.

RETIREES

How many times during the last few months have you heard someone say, "I didn't know that 'so-and-so' is retiring"? Here is a listing of our thirty-nine faculty colleagues who will indeed be retiring on September 1, 1991.

Elsie Bandman (Nursing)
Paul Brodtkorb (English)
David Cooper (Curr. and Teach.)
Robert Davage (Psychology)
Nancy Dean (English)
Myron Fink (Music)
Mae Gamble (Curr. and Teach.)
Eugene Goossen (Art)
Rena Gropper (Anthropology)
Reva Holtzman (Social Work)
Serge Hughes (Romance Lang.)
Robert Huot (Art)
Michael Jaworskyj (Pol. Science)
Harold Judenfriend (Curr. and Teach.)
Harry Kaufmann (Psychology)
Doris Kennedy (Art)
James Koutrelakos (Dean of Students)
M. Lee Margulies (Health Sciences)
Constance Martin (Biol. Sciences)
Milton Mittelman (Library)
Phyllis Moe (English)
William Omelchenko (Library)
Ruth Pike (History)
F. Fulton Ross (Communications)
Ramon Sanchez (Educ. Found.)
Athlyn Sawyer (Academic Skills)
Linda Scheffler (Educ. Found.)
Claire Schmais (Health and P.E.)
Florence Schwartz (Social Work)
William Sinnigen (History)
Richard Smolens (Curr. and Teach.)
Joel Walker (Social Work)
Marvin Wayne (Educ. Found.)
Joseph Weiss (Library)
E. Edwin Wilson (Theatre and Film)
Gloria Wolinsky (Educ. Found.)
Edward Yarosz (Educ. Found.)
Vincent Yu (Library)
Norma Zabka (Health and P.E.)

We wish each of them a successful retirement. We would also like to extend good wishes to other Hunter personnel who are retiring, as well as to our teaching colleagues from the Campus Schools, who have embarked upon their retirement journey.

OTHER FACULTY NEWS

Keith C. Clarke, Geology and Geography, was recently elected President of the Middle States Division of the Association of American Geographers.

Saul B. Cohen, Geology and Geography, received an honorary Doctor of Science degree from Clark University on February 21. He also delivered the 1991 Ellen Churchill Semple Lecture on "Geopolitics and the Reshaping of the Middle East" at Clark.

Kathleen Crane, Geology and Geography, recently presented the Bruce Heezen Memorial Lecture on "the Discovery of Hydrothermal Vents in Lake Baikal, USSR" at the New York Academy of Sciences.

Sally Polakoff has been chosen acting College Psychologist. We wish her well.

The Gordon Fifer Annual Memorial Lecture will be held on Wednesday, March 20, 1:00 - 3:00 in Room 1315E. Dr. Milton Schwabel will speak on the "Impact of the War."

SIBLINGS OF THE GOLDEN PARACHUTE

This newly formed self-help group is composed of Hunter faculty who are now on early retirement leave and are retiring from the college on September 1, 1991. A meeting of the group is being convened by Professor Nancy Dean on Tuesday, February 26, in Room 1413E. Marion Klutch, a former counselor, will lead the discussion.

IMPORTANT DEADLINES

Application proposals for the Eugene Lang Student-Faculty Research Fellowships are due in the Provost's Office by March 11. These Fellowships are designed to stimulate interest in scholarly research and accomplishment among undergraduate students in joint partnership with Hunter faculty.

There is a March 22 deadline for applications for the 1991-92 CUNY Faculty Exchange Program, sponsored by The Office of Academic Affairs. This intercampus exchange program provides an opportunity for faculty to spend a semester teaching a full-course or a one-course schedule at one of the seventeen CUNY senior and community colleges.

There is a March 1 deadline for PSC-CUNY Research Award applications for new full-time faculty appointed in September 1990. Information available from Hunter's Office of Research Administration.

IN MEMORIAM

We mourn the loss of two of our distinguished faculty colleagues who passed away in recent weeks.

Harry L. Miller, Professor Emeritus, Department of Educational Foundations and Counseling died on January 11. A memorial service was held on January 17 for Dr. Miller at Riverside Memorial Chapel, at which Dean Hugh Scott and several faculty from the Division of Programs in Education spoke.

Dorothy T. White, Professor of Nursing, died on December 29, 1990. A memorial service for Dr. White will be held at Hunter-Bellevue School of Nursing on Wednesday, February 27, 2:00-3:00 p.m., with a reception to follow the service.

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Information to be included in the Newsletter may be submitted to The Faculty Delegate Assembly Office, Room 1414 East.