# THE FACULTY VOICE

## **HUNTER COLLEGE FACULTY NEWSLETTER**

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## **Retrenchment Appeals**

In keeping with Section VI of the 1992 "Guidelines and Procedures for Discontinuance of Instructional Staff Personnel Mandated by Fiscal Exigency," President David Caputo has appointed five Retrenchment Appeal Committees to consider appeals by those affected by the retrenchment decisions made earlier this year.

These Committees will then make a report and recommendations to the President, for transmission to the Chancellor (or her designee), who will make the final decisions.

Serving on the three Committees hearing appeals from members of the Department of Academic Skills (SEEK Program) are:

Kimberly Kinsler, Assoc. Prof., Educational Foundations, Chp. Ana Paulino, Assoc. Prof., Social Work Roger Persell, Assoc. Prof., Biological Sciences

Rose Starr, Assoc. Prof., Social Work, Chp. Ronnie Ancona, Assoc. Prof., Classics Richard Jaeger, Chief CLT, Biological Sciences

Janet Poppendieck, Assoc. Prof., Sociology, Chp. Katherine Garnett, Professor, Special Education
Christina Taharally, Assoc. Prof., Curriculum and

Teaching

Serving on the Committee hearing appeals from the Office of Data Communication and Network Services and the Microcomputer Resource Center are:

Lynne Clark, Professor, Health Sciences, Chp.

Cheryl Colbeck, Chief CLT, Chemistry Nondita Mason, Professor, English

Serving on the fifth Committee, which will hear appeals from all other units affected at the College, are:

Paul Mueller, Assoc. Prof., Music, Chp. Sally Polakoff, Assoc. Prof., Student Services Richard Viola, Sr. CLT, Audio-Visual Center

We commend our colleagues for agreeing to take on this understandably difficult assignment.

#### **New Sexual Harassment Panels**

In the September, 1995 issue of <u>The Faculty Voice</u> a brief summary of CUNY's new Sexual Harassment Policy and Procedures was provided. (copies available on request) In keeping with the Policy's provisions, two panels have been established at Hunter College. Members of the Hunter community can feel free to contact the Chair or any member with questions or concerns. In addition, the Sexual Harassment Panel can be reached at X3660, or, Room 1239-East.

## Investigations Panel

- Nondita Mason, Prof., English, Coordinator, X4039 1129-W
- Stewart Weiss, Assoc. Prof., Computer Science, Deputy Coord. X5469 J1090-N
- o Darlene DeFour, Assoc. Prof., Psychology X5679 626-N
- o Kevin Farley, Dir., Building & Grounds X5713 223-N
- o Janet Robertson, Asst. to the Dean, Science & Math, X5240 312-N
- o Trudy Smoke, Assoc. Prof., English

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- o William Mendez, Jr., Affir. Action Officer, X4242 1706-E and, one student (Shantin Brando)

#### **Education Committee**

- o William Mendez, Jr., Affir. Action Officer, Chair X4242 1706-E
- o Juan Battle, Asst. Prof., Sociology, X5641 1637-W
- o Kay Davidson, Prof., Social Work X7097 SSW
- o Jeannie Rieper, Counselor, Student Services, X4902 1111-E
- o Tom Jennings, Assoc. Prof., Library, X4146 215-E
- o Susan Manning, Prof., Psychology, X5560 741-N
- o Carmen Mercado, Assoc. Prof., Curriculum & Teaching X4693 1019-W
- o Sanjay Mirchandani, Dir. Financial Systems, X3877 B1601-E
- o Joyce Toney, Assoc. Prof., Blk & PR Studies, X5035 1141-W and two teachers (Amy Kissell and Lee Weinberg) at Campus Schools; and, one student (Ana Ramirez)

#### **Commencement Dates**

Please note on your 1996 calendar the following dates for Commencement and Convocation ceremonies:

- o Thursday February 1= Winter Commencement,3 pm
- o Wednesday, April 10 = Honors Convocation, 5 pm
- o Tuesday, June 4 =
  Spring Commencement, 3 pm
  (Humanities & Arts; Education;
  Sciences & Mathematics)
- Wednesday, June 5 =
   Spring Commencement, 3 pm
   (Social Sciences; Nursing;
   Health Sciences; Social Work)

#### **Affirmative Action Statement**

The following is the revised Affirmative Action Policy Statement that governs Hunter College and is provided for the information of the entire College community:

It is the policy of the Board of Trustees of the City University of New York and Hunter College of the City University of New York to recruit, employ, retain, and promote employees and to admit and provide services for students without regard to sex, age, national origin, color, religion, disability, veteran status and/or sexual orientation. The "protected classes" as delineated in the Federal Executive Order [Black, Hispanic (including Puerto Rican) Asian\Pacific Islander, American Indian\Alaskan Native and women] were expanded on December 9, 1976 by the Chancellor of the City University of New York to include Italian-Americans, and the University has and will continue to exercise affirmative action for the "protected classes" including Italian-Americans.

#### Join T.H.E. PAC

Under the leadership of Hunter Professor Kenneth Sherrill (Political Science ) a new organization has been launched to support candidates for public office who have a strong commitment to public higher education in New York State. Known as The Higher Education Political Action Committee (T.H.E. PAC), the organization will endorse candidates who will work to (a) maintain funding levels sufficient to ensure continuing academic excellence, (b) restrain tuition increases, (c) increase student grants and loans, and (d) support basic and applied research funding. To learn more about this exciting political action development and how to lend your support contact Ken Sherrill at Room 1724-W, X5500, or, ksherril@shiva.hunter.cuny.edu. Magna est veritas

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## **Faculty Events Funding**

Due to the critical budget situation at CUNY and the College, funding for special faculty events that has been available through the FDA in the past is not available this year. If faculty wish to request modest funding for an honorarium for an outside speaker whose presentation would be of broad interest and appeal they may, however, request consideration of such limited support directly from the Office of the Provost.

### On Sabbatical

Our congratulations go to our colleagues who have been awarded a Fellowship (Sabbatical) Leave this year. We wish them well as they pursue important scholarly work in their discipline:

## September, 1995 - August, 1996

Gary Anderson Social Work
Yvonne Asamoah Social Work
Shirley Cohen Special Education

William Cohen Biology Susan Crile Art

Tami Gold Comunications

Gail Gordon English
Margaret Lunney Nursing
Michael Luther History
Sally McLendon Anthropology

Jo Ann McNamara History
Linda Morris English
Helen Newman Psychology
John Oates Anthropology
Ruth Ramsay Communications
Cordelia Reimers Economics

Ronald Smith Economics
Patricia Martin SEEK

Carolyn Somerville Political Science
Patricia Sternberg Theatre & Film
Ida Susser Anthropology
Barbara Webb English

Thomas Wesselkamper Computer Science

## February, 1996 - January, 1997

Mira Felner Theatre & Film

Valerie Jaudon Art

\*Bettina Knapp Romance Languages

Naomi Kroeger Sociology

Rivka Rudner Biology
\*Ruth Sidel Sociology

## September, 1995 - January, 1996

Simi Linton Edu. Foundations
Michael Nimetz Romance Languages
\*\*Maria Tomasz Chemistry

#### February, 1996 - June, 1996

Caroline Adkins
David Hodges
Virginia Teller
\*\*\*Joan Tronto

Edu. Foundations
Computer Science
Political Science

\*Split Leave: Feb. '96-June'96; Feb. '97-June '97

\*\*Half year - Full Pay Award \*\*\*Scholar Incentive Award

#### **Notary Service**

In response to an oft-mentioned need, a New York State Notary Public will be available for all members of the Hunter community at the FDA office on Mondays and Wednesdays, 10 am - 3pm. Faculty and staff needing this service should call the FDA (X4123) to arrange a mutually convenient time to stop by in this regard.

#### On the Move

Faculty and staff frequently inquire of the FDA how they now may contact Hunter faculty who have moved this fall to other departments of the College. Affected in these departmental transfers are many members of the former Department of Health and Physical Education, and, instructional faculty of the former Department of Academic Skills.

Since a new Hunter College Telephone Directory will not be available until next year, the FDA is pleased to provide our colleagues' new departmental affiliations and we wish them well in their new setting:

## The Lounge Is Open

The Executive Committee of the FDA is pleased to announce that the redecorated and refurbished 8th floor Faculty-Staff Lounge [see below] is now open Monday through Thursday, 2-6 pm. With a small (non-tax levy) grant secured by former Acting President Blanche Blank, the Lounge has a comfortable and fresh new look.



Faculty-Staff Lounge

Those who teach at night and who work late may take pleasure in a chance to read, talk, relax and even grade papers as they enjoy hot coffee and sweet biscuits with friends and colleagues in the Lounge, with our compliments. The Lounge will be open this semester through December 21st, and then will reopen for Spring semester on February 5th. Come and enjoy!

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