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#### **WELCOME BACK**

As the Academic Year 1995-1996 begins, the Executive Committee of the Hunter College Faculty Delegate Assembly wishes to welcome our new and returning colleagues in anticipation of a productive year.

Four members of the Executive
Committee were elected or re-elected
by you in May to two-year terms of office
(1995-1997), respectively, as President,
Vice-President, Day Session
Representative and Part-Time Faculty
Representative. Serving therefore as
officers of The General Faculty and The
Faculty Delegate Assembly of Hunter
College this year are:

- Prof. Paul Kurzman (Social Work)
   President
- Prof. Christina Taharally (Curriculum & Teaching) Vice-President
- ◆ Prof. Ellen Steinberg (Health Sciences) Secretary
- ♦ Prof. Maria Rodriguez (Academic Skills) Treasurer
- Prof. Francesca Sautman (Romance Languages) Day Session Representative
- Prof. Jean-Jacques Strayer (Library)
   Evening Session Representative
- Prof. Cecile Insdorf (Romance Languages) Part-Time Faculty Representative

# College Calendar Revision

In order to conform with guidelines promulgated by the CUNY Central Administration, Hunter College cannot begin the Spring Semester before the month of February. Spring Semester therefore will begin and end

approximately one week <u>later</u> than scheduled in the preliminary academic calendar printed in the April issue of <u>The Faculty Voice</u>. Hence, Hunter College's first day of classes for Spring 1996 will be <u>Monday</u>, <u>February 5th</u>; the final week of the semester will be <u>Wednesday</u>, <u>May 22nd through Friday May 31st</u>.

## 1995-1996 FDA AND GENERAL FACULTY MEETINGS

We shall continue to hold our Faculty Delegate Assembly and General Faculty meetings during "Deans Hours" on the third Wednesday of each month from 1:15-3:00 p.m., according to the following schedule. Unless otherwise notified, meetings will held in **Room 709** West:

#### Fall Semester

Wednesday, Sept. 20-General Faculty

Wednesday, Oct. 18-FDA

Wednesday, Nov. 15-FDA

Wednesday, Dec. 13-General Faculty

# **Spring Semester**

Wednesday, Feb. 21-General Faculty

Wednesday, Mar. 20-FDA

Wednesday, Apr. 17-General Faculty

Wednesday, May 15-FDA

# Senate & FDA Testify at CUNY Board

Hunter College Senate and Faculty
Delegate Assembly leaders presented
joint testimony before members of the
CUNY Board of Trustees in May
protesting proposed changes in
guidelines for Presidential searches at
CUNY colleges. Senate Chair
Kenneth Sherrill (Political Science) and
FDA President Paul Kurzman (Social
Work) urged Trustees to reject
proposed changes in the guidelines and
defer further consideration until fall
semester, allowing for full consultation
with college constituencies.

Adopted at the June Board of Trustees meeting (unfortunately, without significant changes) the new search protocols substantially abrogate faculty input, giving the Board Chair and Chancellor, for example, unilateral power to suspend the guidelines for a specific search and substitute a "shortened process." The new procedures also give the CUNY Board Chair or Chancellor the authority to appoint additional faculty (not elected) to a Search Committee: reduce the number of final candidates to be invited for onsite visits; designate an additional campus administrator (also unelected) to serve on a Search Committee; and, give only the Trustees on a Search Committee the power to vote in certain instances where there are differences of opinion among members of the Committee.

Copies of the new guidelines and of the Hunter College Senate/FDA testimony are available upon request, 772-4123.

# **Our Newest Colleagues**

The Executive Committee of the General Faculty of Hunter College warmly welcomes our new full-time faculty colleagues this fall:

Alison Behrman\* Health Sciences
Peter Combs Geology & Geography
Elizabeth Finkelstein Math & Statistics
Michael Hurbis-Cherrier\* Theatre & Film
Kenneth McLaughlin\* Economics
Ines Miyares\* Geology & Geography
Jeffrey Mongrain Art
Edward O'Donnell History
Kathleen Sumler\* Music (Dance)

\*Served on a substitute faculty appointment during Academic Year 1994-1995.

## **New Electronic Communications**

Cosponsored by the Hunter College Senate and Faculty Delegate Assembly, we are pleased to announce that a new electronic forum has been initiated for all members of the College community who have access to the Internet and e-mail. A merger of separate Senate and FDA lists, the new "hunter-I" is an electronic forum created to promote collegial campus discussion, debate and information exchange. To become a subscriber, send the following message to

"majordomo@shiva.hunter.cuny.edu
" subscribe hunter-i your address."

In addition, a new electronic reference service "asklib" has been inaugurated for Hunter College Faculty by our colleagues at the Library. Faculty therefore now can telephone questions (772-4180), as always, or, send their questions to:

asklib@shiva.hunter.cuny.edu.
Now all we each need is a personal computer, modem and e-mail!

## Congratulations

On behalf of the entire Hunter College community, the officers of the FDA are pleased and proud to congratulate our colleagues, each of whom has been awarded tenure effective September 1, 1995:

#### Education

Dolores Fernandez	Curr. & Teaching
George Gonzalez	Curr. & Teaching
Ira Kanis	Curr.& Teaching
Angela Parrino	Curr. & Teaching

## **Humanities and Arts**

William AgeeArt
Ronnie AnconaClassics
Andrea BlumArt
Joel CarreiroArt
Robert FormanPhilosophy (Religion)
Robert KoehlClassics
Marcia LipsonEnglish
Joseph OreficeCommunications (CLT)
Maria PaynterRomance Languages
Juan SanchezArt
Thomas WeaverArt

## Professional Schools

Marilyn Auerbach.	Health Sciences
Steven Baumann.	Nursing
Joann Ivry	Social Work
Ana Paulino	Social Work

#### Sciences & Mathematics

Sean AhernGeology & Geography
Laurel EckhardtBiology
Marie FilbinBiology
Maciej KapczynskiBiology (Sr. CLT)
Pamela MillsChemistry
Roger PersellBiology
George WallaceBiology (CLT)

#### Social Sciences

Teremce Agbey	egbeEconomics
Jason Young	Psychology

## Pluralism and Diversity Awards

In its fifth year of funding innovative projects at Hunter. The Pluralism and Cultural Diversity Fund Award Program has made four new grants for the 1995-1996 academic year. These funds support creative activities that seek to enhance cultural pluralism and foster awareness and understanding of the sources from which prejudice. stereotyping, bigotry and discrimination derive. From among a large and competitive field, the following colleagues were selected by the Committee to receive the awards: Prof. Timothy Bromage (Anthropology): Prof. Jane Matthews (Mathematics): Prof. Anthony Picciano (Curriculum & Teaching); and Profs. Serafina Bathrick and Stuart Ewen (Communications) with Profs. Juan Flores (Black & Puerto Rican Studies) and George Yudice (Romance Languages). Congratulations and good luck!

# Sexual Harassment Policy

At its June meeting, the CUNY Board of Trustees passed a new policy, effective October 1, 1995, prohibiting sexual harassment at all member colleges. The detailed new policy "strengthens the University's commitment in this area and comports with federal, state and local laws prohibiting discrimination on the basis of sex in employment and in education." In addition to an opening Policy Statement, the resolution has eight sub-sections entitled: Prohibited Conduct, Definition of Harassment. Examples of Harassment, Consensual Relationships, Academic Freedom, False and Malicious Accusations, Procedures, and Enforcement. Copies are available on request.

#### In Memorium

The Executive Committee of the FDA notes with deep sadness the loss of two of our faculty colleagues this past semester. They will be greatly missed by their friends, colleagues and students.

#### **EVELYN POLLACK**

(1938-1995)

Communication Science Program School of Health Sciences

#### **EARL SHAFFER**

(1934-1995) Education Librarian Hunter College Libraries

# Petchesky and Dobrof Honored

Rosalind Pollack Petchesky, Professor of Political Science and Women's Studies, has been awarded a prestigeous MacArthur Foundation five-year grant to continue her grounding-breaking work in the arena of reproductive rights. Often termed the "Genius Awards" because of their recognition of creativity in scholarly activity, the MacArthur grants are a tribute to the stature, originality and perseverence of their recipients. Bravo Ros Petchesky!

In the same spirit of tribute to a distinguished colleague and scholar, President Clinton has announced his intention to appoint Rose Dobrof, Professor of Social Work and Brookdale Professor of Gerontology, to the Federal Council on Aging in Washington. Founding Director of Hunter College's Brookdale Center on

Aging, she will now be responsible for assisting the President and the United States Commissioner on Aging on matters relating to the special needs of older Americans. Salut, Rose Dobrof!

## Senate Officers Elected

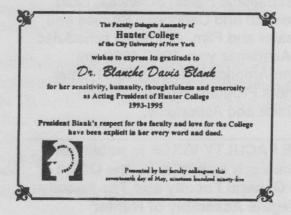
At its May meeting, the Hunter College Senate elected Professor Barbara L. Hampton to serve as Chair of the Hunter College Senate for 1995-1996. A Professor of Music and former Chair of the Senate's Evening Session Council, Barbara Hampton brings great experience and deep commitment to her important post. She will be joined on the Administrative (Executive) Committee of the Senate by Professor Kenneth Sherrill (Political Science) who has served with distinction over the past three years as Senate Chair and now serves as Secretary; Professor Michael Turner (History) as the new Chair of the Evening Session Council; and, a leader of Student Government, who traditionally serves as Senate Vice-Chair, to be elected this fall. We extend our congratulations and warmest collegial good wishes to all.

# President Caputo

The Faculty Delegate Assembly wishes to welcome our colleague Dr. David Caputo (Political Science) to the Presidency of Hunter College - - - the largest and most prestigeous college of the City University of New York! An accomplished scholar, seasoned administrator and eminent Hoosier, President Caputo we trust will now find time to enjoy the educational and cultural richness of the Empire State, Big Apple and our very own Hunter College. So it's so long Purdue Pete - - and welcome to the Hunter Hawks!

## Farewell

On May 17, 1995, members of the Faculty Delegate Assembly presented Acting President Blanche Davis Blank with a plaque [see below] in recognition of her thoughtful and sensitive leadership of Hunter College during difficult times. From November, 1993 to July, 1995, Dr. Blank's guiding hand as steward of the College made a difference to us all, and we wish her well, and a year that is tranquil and serene. Vive Valeque!



## Au Revoir

We note that the following full-time faculty of Hunter College retired in 1995. Except as noted, our colleagues, listed below, retired as part of the CUNY. Incentive Program, effective June 16th:

Balaban, Vivian - Library Barrett, Edward - Chemistry Bathrick, Serafina - Communications Bennick, Alfred - Physics & Astron. Boedeker, Louise - Curr. & Teaching\* Buxbaum, Joan - Edu. Foundations Conant, Francis - Anthropology Cunningham, Dorothy- Health Sciences Danziger, Marlies - English Davis, David - Nursing - Health Sciences Fishman, Paula Fratti, Mario - Romance Languages

Harrison, James P. - History Harrison, James S. - Music Hidaru, Alula - Academic Skills Homeffer, Nancy - Rom.Languages Kuner, Mildred - English Lahey, Eileen - Nursing Mader, Thomas - Communications\* Magnus, Margaret - Nursing Martin, Louis - Music Martinez, Maurice - Edu. Foundations Newman, William - Nursing\* Pasternak, Burton - Anthropology\* Robinson, Maude - Academic Skills Schleihauf, Robert - Health&Phys. Ed:\*\* Sergeant, Russell - Health Sciences - Urban Affairs &Plan. Spiegel, Hans Thibodeau, Andre - Curr. & Teaching Vazquez, Jose - Curr. & Teaching Wells, John - Art Wertzer, Fred - Edu. Foundations Wondolowski, Catherine - Nursing

\*Retired effective 1/31/95

\*\*Retired effective 1/31/96

We wish each of them a joyful retirement experience and hope they will join us from time to time at the Faculty-Staff Lounge and maintain their long-standing and valued association with the Hunter Community.

## Two New CUNY RFPs

Applications for PSC-CUNY Research
Awards will be accepted on or before
October 16, 1995 (December 1, 1995
for faculty appointed after June 1st) to
fund research and creative projects
submitted by permanent, full-time
members of the instructional staff
(faculty and non-faculty PSC titles) at
Hunter. The grant awards will start on
July 1, 1996. Faculty in the Divisions of
Science and Mathematics and Social
Sciences with questions about the
application process should contact
Angela Clarke; faculty in all other
divisions or schools should contact

Carolynn Julien. Both persons may be reached at Research Administration (772-4020). Applications for CUNY's New Visions in Educational Innovation grants will be accepted on or before November 3, 1995. The focus of proposals for these one year planning grants (up to \$15,000) would be on faculty collaboration toward the development of new interdisciplinary undergraduate programs. The grants will start on January 1, 1996. For further information about the funding and application process faculty should contact Bonnie Borenstein at CUNY (794-5522).

## Pinderhughes to Speak

As part of its continuing commitment to Excellence in Teaching, the Faculty Development Committee of the FDA is sponsoring a superb presentation for faculty and staff this fall.

On Wednesday, November 29th at 1:15 p.m., the nationally recognized Black social work scholar Dr. Elaine Pinderhughes of Boston College will give a workshop and slide presentation on "Black Genealogy: Tracing One's Roots for Education and Self-Liberation." Professor Pinderhughes' recent books include Understanding Race, Ethnicity and Power and The Power to Care.

Mark your calendar. You won't want to miss it!

# **External Reviews Planned**

The Provost's Office has indicated that the following formal departmental and program external reviews will be conducted at Hunter this year. In each case, a small team of experts will come on campus to conduct a onsite review after examining the unit's written self-study. During this Academic year

(1995-1996), the units are, alphabetically: Anthropology, Black and Puerto Rican Studies, Chemistry, Classical and Oriental Studies, Community Health Education, Curriculum and Teaching, Educational Foundations, German, Romance Languages, Sociology, Special Education, Urban Affairs and Women's Studies.

Next Academic year (1996-1997), external reviews will take place for: Biological Sciences, Campus Schools, Economics, Energy and Environmental Policy Studies, Environmental and Occupational Health Sciences, Latin American and Caribbean Studies and Theater and Film. Currently scheduled for Academic year 1997-1998 are: Asian-American Studies, The Hunter Honors Program, Philosophy and Physics and Astronomy.

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