

[Context: The following resolution accords with the previous resolution by focusing on the need to have enforcement reflect representation of the college community -- not only the President/designee and Public Safety/designee. But the practical difficulties of enforcement in critical situations noted in the previous Senate meeting preclude a large representative entity; therefore, we have singled out the Chair of the Senate as the representative of that community.]

RESOLUTION ON BoT PROPOSED RESOLUTION ON FREEDOM OF EXPRESSION AND EXPRESSIVE CONDUCT:

We, members of the Hunter College Senate, applaud the protections for freedom of speech and expressive conduct noted in the BoT's proposed new Freedom of Expression and Expressive Conduct policy.

However, the proposed policy places its enforcement against "prohibited conduct" (described in Sections 2 & 3 of the BoT Resolution) solely in the hands of "the President [of each educational unit of CUNY] or his or her designee, in consultation with the Director of Public Safety or designee" [4.1], thereby excluding faculty, students, and staff from practical authority in determining violations of academic freedom, along with freedom of expression and expressive conduct.

Insofar as the character of Hunter College as an academic institution is a *community* of administrators, faculty, staff, and students dedicated to advancing critical, historical, and scientific thinking, along with global learning, and the Senate is the most widely representative legislative body at Hunter, we believe that a Senate representative of these constituents of the college community ought to be officially involved in determining violations of the code of freedom of expression and expressive conduct.

Because of the practical obstacles to having a range of representatives consulted, we recommend -- that the Chair of the Hunter College Senate as a representative of the Hunter College community be officially involved, with the President and Director of Public Safety or their designees, in citing prohibited activities under this policy as members of a newly constituted Freedom of Expression and Expressive Conduct Enforcement Committee, aka the FEECE Committee; -- that the Chair of the Senate make a report to the Senate of any enforcement against "prohibited conduct" authorized by the FEECE Committee.

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