

M I N U T E S

"Overflow" Meeting of The Hunter College Senate
28 October 1975

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The ~~sixty~~^{second} meeting of the Hunter College Senate was convened at 4:45 p.m. at the Playhouse. 1

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

Report by the Administrative Committee: The Chair informed the body that there would be no report at this meeting. 6

Nominating Committee Report: Nominating Committee
Prof. Ruth Gonchar, Chairman of the Committee, presented the following slate for the Select Committee re: the Office of the Ombudsman, as mandated by the Senate at its meeting on October 21st, 1975, and moved for acceptance of the entire slate. 8

Faculty: Robert Tannenbaum - School of Health Science 13
Anastasia van Burkalow - Geology & Geography 14

Students: Robert Daly - Day 15
Neil Callender - SGS 16

The motion carried by voice vote. 17

The Chair (later) asked Prof. van Burkalow to convene the first meeting of the Select Committee. 18

Prof. Gonchar then proposed that the vacancies on the Student Standing Committee and the Undergraduate Course of Study Committee be filled. There being no objection, she presented the Committee's nominees, who were elected: 20

Student Standing Committee
Faculty: Alan Holder - English 24
Betty Bargonetti- Academic Skills 25

Undergraduate Course of Study Committee
Faculty: Robert July - History - Social Sciences 27

Undergraduate Course of Study Committee Report:
Undergraduate Course of Study Committee
Re: Basic Prescription
The Chair presented the Summary Report of action on the revision of the Basic Prescription dated 21 October 1975. 28

He informed the Senate that alternatives for the English Composition requirement (page 3, Item V.) would be presented to the Senate at the November 18th meeting. 31

The Chair then informed the body of the following corrections to be made in the Summary Report: 36

p. 1, Item II. C. Humanities: English Literature Course numbers should read: 17.220, 17.250, 29.325, 29.326. 38

p. 2, Item IV B. Humanities: Course numbers for Russian should read: 28 255, 28 256; and 40

the following departments should be added to B. Humanities as listed in the Bulletin at the top of page 68: 42
Communications, Music, Philosophy, Religion, Theatre & Cinema. 44

The Chair proposed that the first item to be acted on is Alternative 2 (page 3 of the Summary Report under IV) as follows, 46

and in accord with general procedure moved its acceptance: 48

Alternative 2: The Committee has presented as an alternative 49
for immediate change--nine credits from 50
Humanities and nine credits from Social 51
Sciences. Such credits must be earned in at 52
least two departments in each Division. 53

The floor was opened for discussion. 54

After discussion, the motion to accept Alternative 2, under IV 55
was defeated without dissent. 56

The next item to be acted on was item VI. F. PHYSICAL EDUCATION. 57
In accord with general procedure, the Chair moved the 58
Committee report to retain the present Physical Education 59
requirement. 60

The floor was opened for discussion. 61

Prof. Korn moved that the motion be amended by changing the 62
description in the Bulletin to read: 63

any activity course as listed in the college bulletin;
it is recommended that this requirement be fulfilled by 64
the time 75 credits have been completed. 65
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This was accepted as part of the main motion. 67

After discussion, the question was called, and the motion to 68
retain the present Physical Education requirement, as amended, 69
carried by hand vote with two persons in dissent. 70

The next item on the floor were the following two alternatives 71
for Item II. C. HUMANITIES: Language and Literature--English 72
Literature: 73

Alternative 1: 2 3-credit courses in literature originally 74
written in the English language. 75

Alternative 2: 1 3-credit course of literature originally 76
written in the English language. 77

Prof. Beaujour moved for an Alternative 3 which, after various 78
consideration of wording, was presented to the body by the 79
Chair in two parts: 80

Alternative 3: a. 6 credits of courses in literature, at 81
least 3 credits of which shall be in 82
literature originally written in the 83
English language; 84

b. a literature course satisfying the foreign⁸⁵
language requirement, may also be used 86
(without additional credit) to fulfill 87
part of the literature requirement as 88
well. 89

(The Chair indicated that it was his understanding that the 90
general tenor of discussion was to favor a wording which would 91
provide the student with the requirement of 3 credits in a 92
course in literature originally written in the English language, 93
and that the student would have an option "to spend" the addi- 94
tional 3 credits on: (a) another course in literature originally 95
written in the English language, or (b) a course in literature 96
originally written in a non-English language presented in 97
English translation, or (c) a course in literature in a non- 98
English language presented in the original language.) 99

After some additional discussion the Chair asked for a vote on 100
a preference for a 6-credit or a 3-credit literature require- 101
ment.

The body voted to establish a 6-credit literature requirement 102
the content of which was then to be specified according to 103
either Alternative 1 or Alternative 3. 104

Mr. Spector then asked the body to permit consideration of one 105
item before moving on, and, with the Chair's consent, the fol- 106
lowing amendment to the motion was moved and seconded: 107

Any 6-credit literature requirement is subject to one 108
exception, i.e. that students who begin a new language 109
(Foreign Language Requirement, Option 6) shall be required 110
to take only 3 credits in literature originally written in 111
the English language. 112

After discussion, at 6:29 p.m., the meeting adjourned on a 113
quorum call. 114

Before recessing, however, the Chair announced that discussion 115
would start at this point, and that the Chair would meet with 116
interested Senate members to try to work out satisfactory 117
wording to clarify intent and scope of the proposals on the 118
floor. These would hopefully be ready, and thereby be mailed, 119
together with the Agenda for the next Senate meeting. 120

Respectfully submitted,



Elise de Comminges,
Secretary

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A P P E N D I X I

The following members were noted as absent from the meeting:

FACULTY:

Academic Skills: Milagros Garcia

Anthropology: Lester Firschein

Daniel Bates
Thomas Moylan

Biology: Constante Ceccarini

Robert Grant
Morris Green

Black & P.R.Studies: Benjamin Ortiz

Business Educ.: Bernadette Metzler
Harry Buckler

Chemistry: Charles Hecht
Horst Hoyer

Communications: James Aronson

Curric.&Teaching: Elaine Block

Educ. Foundations: Jonathan Levine

Geology & Geog.: Roy Grossman

German: George Nordmeyer

Home Economics: Barbara Maksymowicz

Health Sciences: Irving Eckman

Library: Rae Robinson

Mathematics: Robert Martin

Marina Cohen

Music: Peter Basquin

Ruth Anderson
Sylvia Kinney

Nursing: Josephine Kirsch

Margaret Magnus
Marjorie Martin

Physics & Astron.: Marilyn Rothschild

Randy Fenstermacher

Political Sci.: Malcolm Valentine

Stephen Kydis

Romance Lang.: Jeanine Plottel

Social Work: Michael Phillips

Sociology: Celia Heller

Student Services: Robert Cohen

Theatre & Cinema: Milton Polisky

Holly Hill

Adult Education: Leonard Suib

Daniel Savage

Provost Schneewind

STUDENTS - DAY SESSION:

Jeff Gross - Urban Affairs

Elizabeth Serrano - Business Education

Agnes Chin - Home Economics

Deborah Rooks - Health & Phys. Ed.

Kathleen Quinn - Anthropology

Maria Piskorz - Political Science

Evelyn Seda - School of Health Sci.

Bernardine Lopez - Health Science

Marilyn Jones - Communications

Neil Friedman - Communications "E"

Kevin Hopkins

Steven Rondell

Jeff Olefson

Bonnie Gardner

STUDENTS - EVENING SESSION:

Howard Crim

Stanley Sachs

I.J. Neubart

Bernadette Piscitello

Gloria Kline

Marcia Kanny

George Sawicki

Jeryl Healey

Thom Burns

Michael Franekl

Harold Pickett

Monica Safford

STUDENTS - GRADUATE:

Humanities: Anita Cooper

Education: Theresa Slesinsky

Nadine King

Linda Carney

Sci.& Math.: Julia Yeung

Matric.: John Fink

Constance Clark

STUDENTS - ACADEMIC SKILLS

Juanita McNeill

"E" = excused