

M I N U T E S

Regular Meeting of the Hunter College Senate  
11 April 1984

The 169th meeting of the Hunter College Senate was convened at 4:35 pm in Room W714.	1 2
Presiding: Richard Stapleford, Chairperson	3
Attendance: The elected members of the Senate with the exception of those listed in Appendix I.	4 5
Minutes: The Minutes of March 14th and March 28th were approved as distributed.	6
Report by the President: The following is a summary statement of President Shalala's report to the Senate:	7 8
The President congratulated the Departments of Political Science and Urban Affairs for pulling the coup of the year by getting all three presidential candidates to Hunter. It was a wonderful event and very substantive for the 2500 students, faculty and staff who attended. It was a terrific day for the college, and we made the front page of the Washington Post, had a good story in the New York Times, and in general received excellent national coverage.	9 10 11 12 13 14 15
<u>Re: Budget</u> --President Shalala reported that the budget had been passed by the legislature. It is not a happy budget. 350 lines were returned to CUNY, which should give 44 lines back to Hunter. Those are the lines that were cut last August. But restoring these cuts does not solve the problem of the lines needed to maintain our facilities, as well as the shortage on faculty lines. We are still underfunded and have a decline in the number of lines. It is also not clear yet that all 44 lines will be restored to us. The President said that she had recently found out from the Chancellor that the legislature and the State may be including in the 350 lines the lines for the new law school. This is the first example that a new entity is going to drain off positions when there is a stable budget situation from other established institutions. The President said that on the issue of establishing new institutions within CUNY, she has been a watch dog because of her concern that they may take lines from existing institutions. In the case of the law school, which may be as many as 22 lines, this may have happened, and we have to be particularly alert with discussions beginning about the possibility of a medical school for CUNY. The allocation of the 350 lines is spread out in four quarters, which will restrict the university from hiring the positions immediately. We will try to hire or reappoint on as many lines as we can by riding our own float. Deans and Department Chairs will be notified which positions they can go ahead on. As part of the trade-off for restoring those lines, the energy budget was reduced by \$1.8M. The legislature allocated \$750,000 for child care, and we will fight for our fair share, which would make it possible for us to continue the Child Care Center for next year. The \$25 computer fee will probably be imposed, either by simply increasing the tuition by \$25 or by making it an actual computer fee. There will be a significant increase in the dormitory fee and in tuition for non-New York students. The overall budget is a very tight one.	16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26 27 28 29 30 31 32 33 34 35 36 37 38 39 40 41 42 43 44 45 46
By doubling our space we also increased the number of students that are staying at Hunter, because there are now places to work and to study. We are jammed again. Although we dreamed of this, it puts a demand on services that we are not reimbursed for--from food services to student services, library services, and support services of all kinds. We have a huge increase on those services and we are simply stretched thin. The clear message from Albany and the Governor is that there is little hope that we will get an increase in lines. We have to look for ways to squeeze money out of the budget for ongoing operating	47 48 49 50 51 52 53 54 55

	expenses.	56
	<u>Re: 4-day work week</u> --Within the context of the budgetary problems we have to understand the proposal for a 4-day work week. The President said that we have been requested to go on a 4-day work week, and other CUNY institutions already have a 4-day work week. In particular there have been requests from the unions. President Shalala said that academic considerations are always uppermost in her mind, and if not the Senate would make sure that they are. To meet the academic concerns that have been voiced regarding the 4-day work week, classrooms would be made available to departments that need 5 days to teach courses. Access to the buildings and offices would be assured. (Fridays would be treated like Saturdays and Sundays.) Security will be present and maintenance services. All support services, including the Library, would be closed on Fridays during the summer. The President said that the marginal resources we would get from this are desperately needed for improvement of services, particularly the Library, in the Fall and Spring. There should be some energy savings which would go to central administration, and we will argue hard for those to come back to us.	57 58 59 60 61 62 63 64 65 66 67 68 69 70 71 72 73 74
	President Shalala concluded her report by answering questions from the floor.	75 76
Report by the Ombudsman:	The following is a summary statement of Prof. Korn's report regarding some "non-routine" matters that have been dealt with by the Office of the Ombudsman:	77 78
	1. The Undergraduate Academic Requirements Committee should act on requirements for ABS or INC grades. According to Hunter College students must receive a grade of "C" or better. According to the Board of Trustees, the criterion is a passing grade rather than "C."	79 80 81 82 83
	2. A screening problem exists with some students who register for more than one class that meet at the same time. Nothing prohibits it. Only one rule that may apply is that students must be in attendance during the first week of classes, but no sanctions are indicated.	84 85 86 87 88
	3. Regarding the change of grade forms, instructors can keep one copy of the form when the change request is submitted. Another copy will be returned by the Registrar's Office.	89 90 91
	4. CR/NCR: The framework should be reviewed. It may only be limited by departments for majors and courses required for majors.	92 93
Report by the Administrative Committee:	Prof. Stapleford thanked the Nominating Committee for creating a brochure describing student opportunities for participating in the Hunter College Senate and its Committees. The brochure will be distributed at various places.	94 95 96 97
	<u>Approved Curriculum Changes</u> The following changes, as listed in the Report dated April 11th, were approved as per Senate resolution and were submitted for the Senate's information: Items (GS-211) (School of Nursing), US-541 (German), US-548 (Music), US-549 (Dance/Music).	98 99 100 101
Committee Reports:	<u>Calendar Committee</u>	102
	a. <u>Re: 4-day summer session</u> Prof. Barickman, Chairperson of the Committee, summarized the deliberations and academic concerns raised at the last Senate meeting. He informed the Senate that the Calendar Committee had met and considered Senate debate and discussion, and that the Committee proposed the following resolution:	103 104 105 106 107 108
	BE IT RESOLVED, that the issue of changing to a 4-day summer bell schedule be considered further, but that for this summer of 1984 the current schedule of 5 days be held in place.	109 110 111
	After discussion Prof. Bennick moved that the motion be amended by substituting the following motion:	112 113

- "that the Senate accept the 4-day schedule, provided that space be made available for classes that need to meet 5 days a week." 114  
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- After discussion, the question was called and carried. 116
- The motion to substitute failed by hand vote with 11 in favor, 30 opposed, and 11 abstentions. 117  
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- The original motion (lines 109-111 above) was on the floor. 119
- The question was called and carried. 120
- The motion was approved by hand vote with 36 in favor, 5 opposed, and 10 abstentions. 121  
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- b. College Calendar for 1984-1985 123  
Prof. Barickman presented the revised Calendar proposal as 124  
distributed. 125
- After discussion it was moved that the proposal be amended as follows: 126  
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- "that Wednesday, December 12 be made into a study day, and that Thursday, December 13 be the last day of the regular class session." 128  
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- The question was called and carried. 131
- The motion to amend carried by hand vote with 33 in favor, 4 opposed, and 6 abstentions. 133  
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- The question on the main motion as amended was called and carried. 135
- The 1984-1985 Calendar proposal, as amended, was unanimously approved by hand vote, and is reproduced as Appendix II. 136  
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- A motion to adjourn carried, and the meeting was adjourned at 6:30 pm 138

Respectfully submitted,



Al Bennick,  
Secretary

A P P E N D I X I

The following members were noted as absent from the meeting:

FACULTY:

Academic Skills: Linda Morris "E"  
Maude Robinson

Anthropology: Lester Firschein  
Carol Cambas

Art: Alice Aycock  
Lisa Vergara

Biology: David Lush  
Richar Piccioni

Black & P.R. Studies: Jose Hernandez

Chemistry: William Sweeney  
Maria Tomasz

Communications: Serafina Bathrick

Computer Science: Robert Tannenbaum

Curriculum & Teaching: Elaine Block

English: Jane Benardete "E"  
Louise De Salvo "E"

Geology & Geography: Charles Heatwole  
Alan Strahler

German: Mary Sullivan "E"

Health & Physical Education: Thomas Burke  
William Taussig "E"

History: Robert Seltzer  
Naomi Miller  
Edith Link "E"

Health Sciences: Olga Benitez

Mathematics: Miriam Hecht

Music: Peter Basquin "E"

Nursing: Marjorie Duncan

Philosophy: Charles Sherover

Political Science: Robert Hayton

Psychology: Gerald Turkewitz  
Toby Klass

Romance Languages: Cecile Insdorf

Social Work: Elizabeth Dane  
David Feldstein

Sociology: Naomi Kroeger  
Charles Green  
Jody Carlson

Special Education: Ellis Barowsky

Theatre & Film: Harry Lines  
Mira Felner

Urban Affairs: Stanley Moses

STUDENTS:

Kathleen Douris  
Lori Sbordone  
Kenneth Walker  
Jim Zipp  
Julia Aguilera  
Alcaly Diouf  
Obed Cintron  
Cecile Manners  
Claude Moorehead  
Daniela Montana  
Carla Cordova  
Mary Beth Slevin  
Beth Weiselberg  
Kirk Callender  
Natalie Gomez  
Rosa Amatulli  
Evaggelia Zarafonitis  
Barbara Reisman "E"  
Cathy Lesko  
David Reed "E"  
David Newstein  
Roger Brewster  
Ana Gomez  
Roland Stancione  
Daniel Fine  
Elizabeth Price  
Tanya Parker  
Ruth Michael  
Victor Batista  
Athanasios Boutis  
Antionette Foster  
Helene Reisman "E"  
Po Y Sit  
Zipporah Portis  
Garth Roberts  
Renee Jones  
Jose De La Rosa  
Joseph Adamson  
Karen Johnson  
Laurie Ann Lashley  
Mary Young  
Gerry Savage

Dean Evelyn Gioiella  
Dean James Settle  
Dean Richard Mawe

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