

Office of The Hunter College Senate

M I N U T E S

Regular Meeting of The Hunter College Senate
November 13, 1973

The thirty- ⁶⁷⁶ first meeting of The Hunter College Senate was convened at 4:50 p.m. at the Assembly Hall.	1 2
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 5
Minutes: The Minutes of October 23, 1973 were approved as distributed.	6
Report by the President: President Wexler addressed the Senate with a report on the new building program of Hunter College. A copy of the Facilities Report Outline, including all detailed information, is attached as Appendix II.	7 8 9 10
Administrative Committee Report: Prof. Margaret Magnus, Secretary of the Senate, presented its report as follows:	11 12
1. Proposed the following resolution:	13
"BE IT RESOLVED, that the newly elected Ombudsman be granted the privilege of freedom on the Senate floor, as given to the President of the College, and to the Chief Officers of the constituency organizations."	14 15 16 17
The Resolution carried unanimously by voice vote.	18
2. Reported that the Administrative Committee of the Senate, unanimously and with a feeling of strong urgency, proposes the immediate establishment of a <u>Select Committee on Academic Continuity</u> and charges it with looking into all aspects of new policies regarding the non-tenured faculty of this college.	19 20 21 22 23 24
As we know, the Hunter College Senate is mandated by the Governance Charter with legislative authority in various areas of educational policy. It is particularly charged with the responsibility of "safeguarding the academic freedom of ALL members of the Hunter College community." (Article II, Section 1, E). Recent changes in policy by the BHE regarding tenure raises many questions concerning the equity with which the faculty members are being treated. Coupled with new contractual arrangements, this college faces the potential threat of the dis-affection of a large portion of its faculty and a crisis in faculty morale. A serious disruption of continuity in employment and retention policy is an effective attack on the rights to equity of treatment of the members of the faculty. From the point of view of the student body, this is a serious problem concerning the continuity of educational standards and the continuity of the instructional staff; serious disruption of faculty concern for instructional standards is an effective attack on the rights of students to the kind of quality education to which this college is committed.	25 26 27 28 29 30 31 32 33 34 35 36 37 38 39 40 41 42 43 44
This Select Committee shall investigate the educational impact of BHE decision as regards Hunter College, the manner in which this decision may be interpreted and implemented in Hunter College, and the prospects for a change of policy, to the extent that such changes shall be deemed desirable, by the incoming BHE.	45 46 47 48 49 50

This Committee shall be asked to report its findings to the Senate as promptly as possible and shall submit to the Senate such proposals for Senate action as it shall deem appropriate.	51 52 53
Moved the following resolution:	54
"BE IT RESOLVED, that such Select Committee be established, and having consulted with the Chairman of the Nominating Committee, BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that it be composed of the following faculty members and students:	55 56 57 58
<u>FACULTY</u>	
William Chace - Lecturer, Dept. of Romance Languages	59
Prof. Leon Cohen - Department of Physics	60
Prof. Sylvia Fishman - Chairman, Dept. of Health & Phys. Educ.	61
Prof. Herbert Geyer - Chairman, Department of Economics	62
Prof. Claireve Grandjouan - Chairman, Department of Classics	63
Prof. Rena Gropper - Chairman, Evening Session Council	64
Prof. Tilden Lemelle - Chairman, Dept. of Black & P.R. Studies	65
Prof. Pierre Oberling - Department of History	66
Prof. Gerald Pinciss - Chairman, Department of English	67
<u>STUDENTS</u>	
Mr. Dan Ben-Cnaan - Student, SGS	68
Mr. David Butler - Student, Graduate	69
Mr. Todd Nahins - Student, Day	70
Mr. John Fink - Vice-Chairman, University Student Senate"	71
Prof. Herbert Geyer (Economics) requested that the resolution be amended by adding:	72 73
"This newly appointed Committee of the Hunter College Senate shall be empowered to request all pertinent statistical information from all administrative units of Hunter College including all its ancillary units."	74 75 76 77
The request was accepted as a motion and carried.	78
There being no further discussion, the Chair called for a vote. The resolution carried as amended by voice vote.	79 80
3. Moved that, in so far as the first three items of the Undergraduate Course of Study Report are reported as routine items, they be approved without debate. It was so moved and items U 112, U 117, U 118, were approved by voice vote with no dissent.	81 82 83 84 85
4. Proposed the continuation of the present system of meeting dates for the Spring Semester, especially in view of the fact that the SGS Deans' hours were changed for the spring semester, in accord with previous Senate resolution, in order to avoid attendance conflicts. The only adjustments in the normal schedule of the second and fourth Tuesdays of the month have been occasioned by consideration of school and legal holidays which necessitated some adjustment.	86 87 88 89 90 91 92 93
<u>Senate Calendar</u>	
Spring 1974	
<u>Regular</u>	<u>Overflow</u>
February 19 (Playhouse)	February 26 (Playhouse)
March 12 (HS Auditorium)	March 26 (Playhouse)
April 16 (HS Auditorium)	April 30 (HS Auditorium)
May 7 (Playhouse)	May 21 (Assembly Hall)
Time: 4:30-6:30 p.m.	97 98 99 100 101
There being no objection it was so ordered.	102

5.	Announced that the preferential registration for Student Senators (Undergraduate, Day & Evening Sessions) is November 20th at Yorkville Center, and that notices are being mailed to all students on the Senate membership roster.	103 104 105 106
Reports of Senate Committees:	<u>Nominating Committee</u>	107
	In the absence of the Chairman of the Committee, Prof. Margaret Magnus, Secretary of the Senate, delivered its report upon request, to fill two Senate Committee vacancies.	108 109 110
1.	<u>Committee on Undergraduate Academic Requirements</u>	111
	Announced that Prof. Esther Flashner has resigned from the Committee.	112 113
	Stated that the Department of Academic Skills should be represented on this committee as per the Governance Charter, and therefore the nomination of Cisley Talabi-Malm is brought to the floor from the Nominating Committee.	114 115 116 117
	There being no further nominations, Dr. Talabi-Malm of the Department of Academic Skills, was elected by voice vote.	118 119
2.	<u>Committee on the Budget</u>	120
	Stated that as per the Governance Charter the Chairman of the Committee on the Budget is to be elected by the Senate. Prof. Thomas Burke (Department of Health & Physical Education) is nominated, as voted by the members of the Budget Committee at their meeting on October 30th.	121 122 123 124 125
	There being no further nominations, Prof. Thomas Burke was elected by voice vote.	126 127
	<u>Report of the two Committees on Registration</u>	128
	Dean Dolciani, Chairman of the "old" Committee on Registration reported that her committee met for the first time on May 1st, 1973, and had met a total of six times, with another meeting scheduled "before being unexpectedly defrocked." The Committee identified certain malfunctions in the current registration system in the course of its six meetings, and in subsequent meetings had hoped to formulate other recommendations. A copy of the complete report is attached as Appendix III.	129 130 131 132 133 134 135 136
	Prof. Jaworskij, Chairman of the "new" Committee on Registration Procedures, reported that his Committee wanted to approach problems of registration from the point of view of the students; the Committee has sent various questionnaires to a large part of the college community. Prof. Jaworskij concluded by saying that his Committee intends to concentrate on alternatives that can be implemented.	137 138 139 140 141 142 143
	<u>Undergraduate Course of Study Committee</u>	144
	Prof. Nancy Dean, Chairman of the Committee, corrected the report as indicated:	145 146
U 112	-page 1: Change the second to the last sentence to read "It will be divided into 3 parts: the revolutionary origins of communism, the political process, and the social changes in communist societies."...	147 148 149 150
U 113	-page 7: Please insert Course No. <u>29 304</u> for "Men and Movements in the Black Urban Ghetto."	151 152

U 116 -page 10: The following sentence (lines 8 to 10)--	153
"REQUIRED SOCIAL SCIENCE- All 3- or 4- credit courses in	154
human geography are acceptable in particular fulfillment	155
of the social science requirement."--should be placed	156
below the paragraph "Students of proven intellectual...	157
decide to major in the field."	158
U 93 Insert additional page 16A between page 15 and page 16.	159
Prof. Dean next moved that approval be granted for U 103. The	160
motion carried by voice vote after discussion.	161
It was moved and carried by voice vote that approval be granted	162
for U 113 (Course # 29 304).	163
A motion to approve U 114 carried by voice vote.	164
It was moved that approval be granted for U 116.	165
After discussion and due to the late hour a motion to continue	166
the meeting until 7 p.m. carried.	167
After further discussion it was moved that approval be granted	168
for pages 13, 14 and 15 of U 116, and that pages 9 to 12 con-	169
cerning Policy Modifications in the Basic Prescription from the	170
Division of Sciences and Mathematics be recommitted to the	171
Committee for clarification.	172
The motion carried by hand vote.	173
A motion to grant approval for U 93 carried by voice vote.	174
<u>Experimental Courses:</u>	
Prof. Dean announced that E 42 "Jet Steno" will not be offered.	175
In its place the Committee has chosen E 44 "Field Work in Latin	176
America." In this regard the new page 17 should be substituted	177
with the previous page 17.	178
Prof. Dean then moved for approval of E 44, E 46, E 49, E 50.	179
Discussion ensued concerning the appropriateness of bringing	180
experimental courses to the Senate floor.	181
A motion to recommit failed.	182
A motion to include "Self-Defense for Women" in the proposal	183
was defeated.	184
The motion to approve E 44, E 46, E 49, E 50, carried by voice	185
vote.	186
The meeting was declared adjourned at 7:10 p.m.	187

Respectfully submitted,

Margaret Magnus
Margaret Magnus,
Secretary

APPENDIX I

The following members are noted as absent from the meeting:

Adler, Norman - Pol. Science	Mackler, Bernard - Curric.& Teaching
Alaimo, Joann	McManus, Anne
Alicea, Hector	Meyerson, Susan
Arfa, Milton - German	Muyskens, James - Philosophy
Barbieri, Steve	Nahins, Todd
Bartolomei, Roy - History	Nuss, Joel
Brett, Richard - English	Pagano, Nick
Broyles, Mary	Patton, Robert
Buckler, Harry - Business Education	Pecelli, Giampiero - Mathematics
Burke, Michael	Pierce, Janet - Chemistry
Butler, David	Reiff, Rosanna - Business Education
Cardenas, Angel	Rogers, Herbert - Music
Carpenter, Floyd	Rothschild, Marilyn - Physics
Cavallero, George	Sanchez, Jose - Black & P.R. Studies
Chiang, Faye	Schreiber, Paul - School of Soc.Work
Chiang, Jean	Shull, Bernard - Economics
Chilvers, Chris	Shields, Elizabeth
Cooper, Anita	Slater, Peter
Crispinelli, Steve	Sorscher Esther
Coss, Claire - Theatre & Cinema	Spierman, Michael - Music
Danna, Robert	Shahn, Ezra - Biology
Davis, Annette	Strauss, Michael
DeFrancis, Eileen	Stuart, Mildred - Couns.&Student Dev.
Dobrof, Rose - School of Soc.Work	Tendler, Diana
Duggan, John	Tryon, Edward - Physics & Astronomy
Early, Lawrence	Wangler, Lynda
Firschein, Lester - Anthropology	Ward, Ralph - Classics
Gambaro, Eunice	Wijnen, M.H.J. - Chemistry
Gamble, Mae - Curric.& Teaching	Williams, James - English
Gibson, Gloria	Zilinsky, Ed
Gonchar, Ruth - Communications	
Greenstein, Karen	
Grevious, Carole - Psychology	
Grossman, William - Chemistry	
Grant, Robert - Biology	
Haber, Martin	
Hirschfield, Barbara	
Hyman, Herbert - Urban Affairs	
Keane, Mary - Nursing Education	
Keneally, Elizabeth	
Korn, Sam - Psychology	
Krauss, Herbert - Psychology	
Lane, David - Library	
Lange, Jack	
LaPointe, Rosemary	
Liscio, Richard	

APPENDIX II

Hunter College Facilities Report Outline 1973-74

NEW BUILDING PROGRAM:

Project Description:

A New College Building on Site "B" (West of Lexington Avenue between 67th and 68th Streets) housing the entire Physical Education Department (except the Swimming Pool), Classrooms, Lecture Halls, Student Union Facilities, (Lounges, Commons, Snack Bars, etc.) and Departmental Offices for Education, Social Sciences and Humanities. This building will be linked to existing College building by Bridge over 68th Street at the Third Floor and a Tunnel at the First Basement level. It will be linked to the new College Building on Site "C" by Bridges at the Third and Seventh Floors. The structure will be steel frame and will have 4 Basements (B-1, Service; B-2, B-3, B-4, Physical Education), 7 floors in an Academic and Student Union Facility tied together by an Escalator Bank, 11 Floors of Departmental Offices and a Mechanical Penthouse, totaling 19 floors above grade.

A New College Building on Site "C" (East of Lexington Avenue between 67th and 68th Streets) housing the Library, Counseling Facilities and College Administration. This building will be linked to the New Building on Site "B" by Bridges at the Third and Seventh Floors (see above). The structure will be a steel frame and will have 3 Basements (B-3, Mechanical, B-1 and B-2 Library); 7 Floors above grade accomodating the Library, 9 Floors of Counseling and Administrative Offices and a Mechanical Penthouse, totaling 17 Floors above grade.

CURRENT SCHEDULE:

	<u>Demolition</u>	<u>Site "B"</u>	<u>Site "C"</u>
Design Completion	2/1/73	10/1/74	9/1/74
Contract Award	6/1/74	2/1/75	1/1/75
Project Completion	9/1/74	1/15/77	12/1/76

OTHER RELEVANT INFORMATION:

Project Cost	\$84,000,000
Gross Area	709,373 Sq. Ft.
Net Area	447,808 Sq. Ft.

CURRENT FACILITIES DEVELOPMENT 1973-74:

I. Acquisition of Hunter Midtown to provide:

- a) Center for entry point level courses and remedial activity including facilities for special programs in Mathematics, English and S.E.E.K.
- b) A relief on traffic in the main building estimated to be about 14% of the Day Session student station activity.
- c) Space in the main building and the 930 Lexington Avenue building (old high school) for faculty offices, art facilities and anthropology laboratories which must be moved from P.S. 76 and the Yorkville Center. Ten former classrooms on the ninth floor will provide for faculty offices and anthropology laboratories. Space vacated by the Math Learning Center and three former classrooms on the twelfth floor will provide for faculty offices and Physics laboratory development. The conversion of classrooms on the upper floors have contributed much in elevator traffic relief.

II. STUDENT LOUNGE DEVELOPMENT:

- a) West Mezzanine Lounge is open and provides an additional 6,900 square feet of comfortably furnished quiet study and lounge area.

- b) Plans for air conditioning the East Mezzanine Student Lounge are currently being reviewed by the City Bureau of the Budget. Project completion is scheduled for Spring of '74.

PLANNED FACILITIES DEVELOPMENT:

"Pending a successful negotiation for the rental of the Pharmaceutical Building at 117 East 69th Street."

Move administration offices from the second floor of Main Building to Pharmaceutical to free approximately 7,000 square feet of space for classroom development. This space could provide about twelve of our standard size classrooms on the second floor and again relieve upper floor classrooms for laboratory and faculty office development in accordance with long-range plans for the main building.

APPENDIX III

REPORT OF THE SPECIAL SENATE COMMITTEE ON REGISTRATION

The Committee was established at an April, 1973 meeting of the Hunter College Senate. Its membership is as follows:

- Students: Ms. Isabele Di Mele (Evening Session)
Mr. Michael Lisenco (Day Session)
Mr. Anthony Backstrom (Graduate Session)
- Faculty: Prof. Leon Cohen (Physics)
Prof. Herbert Geyer (Economics)
Prof. Alice Whittemore (Mathematics)
- Administration: Mr. Peter Falconello (Manager, Computing Center)
Mr. Harry Whitehead (Registrar)
Prof. Mary Dolciani (Assoc. Provost for Academic Services)

The Committee met for the first time on May 1, 1973 and had, in all, six meetings--three in May, two in September and one in October (with another scheduled that month)--before being unexpectedly defrocked.

Members of the Committee interviewed contacts throughout the College to uncover registration problems. On a more formal level I had earlier meetings with Divisional Committees to discuss various procedures involving the Registrar's Office. In the course of its six meetings the Committee identified certain malfunctions in the current registration system, but found no great interest among students, but considerable interest among department chairmen, in moving toward a strikingly different scheme. One such scheme that was considered was registration by mail with final assignments to courses completed by computer programming. Since that system would markedly decrease student options, it was not favorably received by most of the Committee.

1. Institute a well-publicized week of advising throughout the College immediately before the start of registration.
2. Encourage departments to follow the lead of the Communications and Nursing Departments which have devised means for reserving places in major courses for their majors.
3. Move late registration and change of program to the week before classes begin, and discourage changes thereafter by charging a meaningful fee for such changes if they are not required as a result of some departmental or college action. In this connection, departments should be asked to post names of instructors not already identified certainly no later than the beginning of late registration and change of program.
4. Present early firm registration is a kind of manual "on-line" system that requires about 6 weeks to complete. A fourth recommendation is that the College move to a computerized "on-line" system to make it possible to halve the time presently required. Brooklyn College has successfully implemented a system of the type being recommended.
5. Urge the early establishment of a machine readable automated student record keeping system so that departments and divisions can have data on students flow in order to project enrollments and make timely responses to student needs and interests.
6. Continue according Evening Session student priority in registration for Evening Session courses.
7. Investigate the feasibility of a revised bell-schedule designed to encourage uniform use of all of the days - Monday through Friday.

In subsequent meetings the Committee had hoped to formulate other recommendations, some already discussed in a preliminary way. However, our mandate has been withdrawn and therefore, we submit this as our first and last report to the Hunter College Senate with our thanks for the brief existence that we enjoyed.

Respectfully submitted,
Mary P. Dolciani