

M I N U T E S

"Overflow" Meeting of the Hunter College Senate
22 March 1977

	The ^{94th} eighty-ninth meeting of the Hunter College Senate was convened at 4:45 p.m. at the Playhouse.	1 2
Presiding:	Rena C. Gropper, Chair	3
Attendance:	The elected members of the Senate with the exception of those listed in Appendix I.	4 5
Minutes:	The Minutes of February 22nd were approved as distributed.	6
Report by the Administrative Committee:	Prof. Sylvia Fishman, Secretary of the Senate, moved for approval of the following change in today's Agenda. "that item # 4 (Nominating Committee Report) and item # 5 (Budget Committee Report) follow item # 6." After discussion, the motion was defeated by hand vote with 5 in favor and 37 opposed.	7 8 9 10 11 12
Undergraduate Course of Study Committee Report:	<u>Undergraduate Course of Study Committee</u> Prof. Robert July, Chairman of the Committee, moved for approval of the revised proposal U-275 (Hebrew). The motion carried by hand vote. He next moved for approval of item US-287 (Anthropology). The motion carried by hand vote. Proposal UR-282 (Geology & Geography) was approved under the "New Procedures" and submitted to the Senate for informational purposes. <u>Re: Transfer of Dance Major Program</u> Prof. July presented the Report on the Transfer of the Dance Major Program and moved for its acceptance. The motion carried by hand vote, and the Report as submitted is attached as Appendix II. <u>Re: College Catalogue</u> Prof. July next presented the Report re: the Hunter College Catalogue, as follows: At its meeting of February 15th, 1977, the Undergraduate Course of Study Committee was consulted by Provost Schneewind regarding the planning of the new Hunter College catalogue. Specifically, the Provost urged that course descriptions be discontinued for at least the next published issue in favor of a simple listing of course titles. The objective is purely financial--a saving of \$12,000 to \$15,000 in publication costs, a not inconsequential sum in light of current budgetary stringencies. The Provost pointed out that there would be no important loss of information or efficiency as a result of this change. For internal consumption by students and faculty, the semester-by-semester publication of course listings and descriptions would continue to provide ample information. For the recruitment of students considering matriculation at Hunter, there would be alternative publications describing the College and its curriculum. For other colleges and universities needing to assess Hunter offerings, personal communication among scholars would continue to serve as chief sources of information.	13 14 15 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

	The Provost indicated that his recommendation affected only course descriptions. Other explicative material involving departments, college-wide student regulations, degree requirements, and similar information would be retained.	47 48 49 50
	Although reluctant to see course descriptions eliminated, the Undergraduate Course of Study Committee was persuaded of the necessity for the proposed action. Since publication of the catalogue is an administrative matter, no formal action was taken, but the Chairman was instructed by the committee to inform the Senate of the Provost's remarks and of its sympathy for his proposals.	51 52 53 54 55 56
	This Report was submitted to the Senate for informational purposes.	57
Nominating Committee Report:	<u>Nominating Committee</u> Prof. Ruth Gonchar, Chairman of the Committee, presented the following resolution and moved for its approval:	58 59 60
	Members of Senate Committees shall be elected for a three-year term and shall not be eligible for membership on that same committee for a period of one year thereafter.	61 62 63
	But in no case will a majority of any committee change over at any given time. The Chairman of each committee shall determine the initial sequence of replacement.	64 65 66
	Prof. Matthews moved to table this resolution in view of the long and important Agenda.	67 68
	The motion to table carried.	69
	Prof. Gonchar informed the Senate of her resignation as Chairman of the Nominating Committee, and opened the floor to nominations.	70 71
	The following were nominated:	72
	Ms. Lorraine Kaufman Prof. Ken Sherrill	73 74
	Upon request written ballots were distributed.	75
	Prof. Sherover moved to proceed to the next order of business while ballots were being counted.	76 77
	There being no objection it was so ordered.	78
Report by the Budget Comm.:	<u>Budget Committee</u> Prof. Ken Smith, member of the Committee, presented the Report dated 22 March 1977 as submitted. He informed the Senate of the following corrections:	79 80 81 82
	page 2, item # 9 Administrative Lump Sum of \$1.3M is included in items # 4, 5, and 6, and should be subtracted from total amount of \$30.1M.	83 84 85
	page 2, item #10 Released Time of \$1.25M is included under item #1 and should be subtracted from the total sum.	86 87
	A motion to limit debate on this Report to thirty minutes carried.	88
	----- The results of voting by written ballot for the election of Chairman to the Nominating Committee were received as follows:	89 90
	Ms. Lorraine Kaufman 46 votes, Prof. Ken Sherrill 33 votes, and 5 abstentions.	91 93
	Ms. Kaufman was elected Chairman of the Nominating Committee.	94
	----- The motion on the floor was acceptance of the Report of the Budget Committee as corrected.	95 96

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After lengthy and detailed discussion Prof. Mader moved that the substance of the front page be accepted.	97 98
Prof. Bryar moved that the motion come to a vote as soon as possible.	99
Prof. Ken Smith, on behalf of the Committee, proposed the following amendment to the report which was accepted:	100 101
page 1, last paragraph, last line should read: "...non-classroom categories should be implemented <u>in priority guidelines</u> as follows:"	102 103 104
The motion to accept the report as corrected and amended carried by hand vote.	105 106
(The Report as corrected, amended and approved is attached as Appendix III.)	107 108
Report by the Coordinating Committee for College Restructuring	109
Prof. Elizabeth Beaujour, Chairman of the Committee, presented the Report as submitted.	110 111
Restructuring: Mr. Weissman moved to object to consideration of the Report.	112
Prof. Beaujour informed the Senate that there are two points in the Report that the Committee is now aware of as being inaccurate. There were two statements the Committee had received and assumed were facts. Because of promised confidentiality she was unable to give the details. She also informed the Senate that the Committee had not given Prof. Miranda the courtesy of a warning because of time pressures involved.	113 114 115 116 117 118
She then advised the body of the following corrections to be made in the report:	119 120
page 4, line 142: everything after the words "requiring supervision" should be deleted.	121 122
page 5, line 193: the word "Few" should be changed to read " <u>For.</u> "	123
Prof. Beaujour then asked that the Senate convene into a Committee of the Whole.	124 125
Mr. Weissman restated his motion to object.	126
After discussion Mr. Weissman withdrew the motion to object and moved to recommit the Report with the following instructions:	127 128
a. that the Committee hold Open Hearings on the Report;	129
b. that evidence be produced to support the conclusions of the Committee subject to items of confidentiality.	130 131
After discussion Prof. Korn moved that the motion to recommit be amended to include:	132 133
"that the Committee integrate in its Report the principles established by the Senate in its approval of the Report of the Budget Committee."	134 135 136
After discussion, a motion to extend the meeting time for five minutes carried.	137 138
Mr. Richard Schulman, Vice-Chairman of the Senate, took over the Chair.	139
The question was called on the motion to recommit with instructions as amended by Prof. Korn.	131 132
The motion was defeated by hand vote with 29 in favor and 31 opposed.	133
A motion to adjourn carried and the meeting was adjourned at 6:40 p.m.	134

Respectfully submitted,


Sylvia Fishman,
Secretary

A P P E N D I X I

The following members are noted as absent from the meeting:

FACULTY:

Seek: Garcia Milagros

Anthropology: Lester Firschein "E"
Francis Conant

Art: Richard Stapleford

Black & Puerto Rican Studies: Mavis Campbell

Chemistry: Angelo Santoro

Classics: Albert Juszcak "E"

Curriculum & Teaching: Mary Graeber

Health Sciences: Robert Ayers
Irving Eckman "E"

Mathematics: Marina Cohen

Music: Peter Basquin "E"

Nursing: Mary Tomaselli "E"
Sara Aronson "E"

Physics & Astronomy: Alan Crichton

Psychology: Gerald Turkewitz

Romance Languages: Leonard Mades
Mario Fratti

Social Work: Joel Walker
Jack Kamaiko

Sociology: Celia Heller "E"
Robert Perinbanayagam
Aubrey Bonnet

Theatre & Cinema: Harold Levitt "E"

Urban Affairs: Seymour Mann "E"

Adult Education: Katherine Passias
Samuel Wallace

Dean Hugh Scott

Dean Bernice Fleiss "E"

Dean Edward Barrett

Dean Anne Decker "E"

Dean Joachim Weyl

STUDENTS:

Day Session Students:

Aida Luz Mendez
Denise Notice
Nina Cranton
Mitch Imberman
Howard Strongin "E"
Naomi Sawelson
Michele Mayer
Judith Fauvell
Edward Davila
Michael Wilson
Martin Cohen

Evening Session Students:

Stanley Sachs
Arpard Fazakas
Judy Powers
David Parry
Monica Safford
Alexandra Matusinka
Karen Brown

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A P P E N D I X I I

Report re: Transfer of Dance Major Program

1. On May 25, 1976 the Senate instructed the Undergraduate Course of Study Committee to make recommendations to the Senate regarding disposition of the Dance Major Program.
2. The Undergraduate Course of Study Committee has now received and approved a memorandum of 2/1/77 to Provost Schneewind from Professors Sylvia Fishman, James Harrison, and Dorothy Vislocky, recommending transfer of the Dance Major Program, its faculty and curriculum, to the Division of Humanities and Arts, the Program to be housed in the Department of Music for administrative purposes. The transfer is recommended to take effect September, 1977.
3. The proposed transfer will not affect the continuity of the Dance Program. Dance courses, moreover, now required for physical education major students will continue under the aegis of the Department of Music. The Department of Health & Physical Education will continue its responsibility for courses offered to satisfy the one credit basic prescription requirement in physical education.
4. The Provost, and the Deans for Humanities and the Arts and for Programs in Education have expressed their agreement with the proposed suggestions.
5. The Undergraduate Course of Study Committee recommends that the Senate approve the transfer as suggested.

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M E M O R A N D U M

TO: Provost Jerome Schneewind

FROM: Sylvia Fishman
James Harrison
Dorothy Vislocky

SUBJECT: Transfer of the Dance Major Program

DATE: February 1, 1977

1. We support the proposal that effective September, 1977, the existing dance major faculty and curriculum be transferred for administrative and budgetary purposes to the Division of Humanities and Arts.
2. We recommend that the dance major program be structured as an independent program in the Division of Humanities and Arts; technically housed within the Department of Music for personnel, budgetary and administrative purposes. We further recommend that a Dance Coordinating Committee be established.

A P P E N D I X I I I

Report of the Committee on the Budget

In accordance with Article VIII, Section 7, paragraph 2 of A Charter for a Governance of Hunter College, and the Resolution of the Hunter College Senate on "The Report of the Committee on the Budget," as amended, dated December 7, 76, this report and resolution is respectfully submitted.

The criteria unanimously agreed upon by the Budget Committee in formulating budget guidelines are:

1. Maintenance and improvement of academic quality in classroom instruction.
2. Retention and strengthening of existing department and program structure.
3. Allowance for maximum flexibility in reorganization and refinement of purely administrative functions within suggested budgetary limits.
4. Selection of specific economies that are realistic, feasible, and applicable to the particular mission and organization of Hunter College.
5. Conviction that the Hunter College Senate's statutory authority¹ requires immediate action before budget allocations for fiscal 1977-78 are implemented without the exercise of Senate policy making powers.

Guidelines for Allocation of Budget to Classroom Instruction and Teaching

Given the student-faculty ratio of 18:1 existing and recommended by The Temporary State Commission on the Future of Postsecondary Education in New York State, and present expenditures on teaching activities of \$15.7 million (60.5% of the 1976-77 Budget) the dollar amounts of future budgets allocated to classroom instruction shall not be reduced until all possible cuts in other categories of expenditures have been made, and that the percentage ratio for teaching and classroom instruction not fall below 60.5%. In the event that the total dollar amount of the budget fall below 1976-77 levels, reductions in non-classroom categories should be implemented in priority guidelines as follows:

GUIDELINES FOR BUDGET REDUCTION

Budget Categories	Current Expenditure 1976-77	First Priority Cuts	Second Priority Cuts	Third Priority Cuts	Fourth Priority Cuts	Total Possible Reductions
1. Class Instruction Teaching Process:	\$15.7					
2. Academic Support Services, Library, C.L.T.'s:	1.6					
3. Buildings and Grounds Custodial Maintenance Engineering Security:	2.3.	\$250,000+/-	\$250,000+/-			\$500,000+/-
4. Student Services Registrar Dean of Students:	1.6				\$300,000+/-	\$300,000+/-
5. Administration President's Office College Relations Regional & Department Administration:	2.6		\$132,000 to \$242,000		\$212,000 to \$322,000	\$344,000 to \$564,000
6. General Support Services Business Office Bursar Payroll Mailroom:	1.8					
7. Other FDA, Ombudsman, Retrenched C.L.L., Research Admin:	.4					
8. Rents:	2.1	\$437,000 to \$510,700	\$245,000+/-	\$140,000 to \$255,000	\$232,000	\$1,054,000 to \$1,242,700
9. Administrative Lump Sums: Administrative Personnel Costs:	(1.3)*	\$488,000 to \$525,000	\$150,900 to \$255,000	\$100,000	\$100,000	\$838,900 to \$983,000
10. Released Time Adjunct Funds:	(1.25)**			\$300,000 to \$400,000	\$100,000	\$330,000 to \$500,000
TOTAL	28.1	\$1,175,000 to \$1,285,000	\$777,900 to \$992,000	\$570,000 to \$755,000	\$853,000 to \$1,054,000	\$3,466,000 to \$4,086,700

* included in items # 4, 5, and 6.

** included in item # 1.

¹ Charter for a Governance of Hunter College, Article II, Section 1, "As the College legislative agency, the Senate shall have policy making powers in the following areas: A. Curriculum and related education matters. B. Academic requirements and standards of academic standing. C. College development, review and forward planning of facilities, staff, and fiscal requirements." p.1.