

M I N U T E S

Regular Meeting of the Hunter College Senate
14 February 1978

	The ¹⁰⁷ 102nd meeting of the Hunter College Senate was convened at 4:40 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 December 6th were approved as distributed; it was noted that Mr. Landow objected to lines 84 and 85.	6 7
	The Minutes of December 13th were approved as distributed, with the correction in spelling on line 66 to read Mark Spector instead of Marl Spector.	8 9 10
Report by the President:	In President Wexler's absence, Provost Schneewind reported to the Senate. A summary statement of the Report is attached as Appendix II.	11 12
Report by the Ombudsman:	The Ombudsman reported that the intersession visitors to the Ombudsman's Office presented a variety of problems too disparate for classification. He also reported that for the first time a number of students have come not to complain, but to register their compliments of the new registration procedure.	13 14 15 16 17
Report by the Administrative Committee:	<u>Approved Curriculum Changes</u> The following curriculum changes were approved as per Senate resolution, and were submitted for the Senate's information:	18 19 20
	GR-131 (History), GS-130 (Music), US-311 (Romance Languages), US-314 (Music), US-316 (English), US-318 (Romance Languages). US-313/GS-128 (BA/MA Program in Russian Area Studies).	21 22 23
	Mr. Schulman moved for a change in the Agenda, as he wished to bring to the Senate's attention a very important matter.	24 25
	The motion to change the Agenda carried.	26
	Mr. Schulman then moved for approval of the following resolution:	27
	BE IT RESOLVED, that the privacy of any written communication by/or to any member of the Hunter College community is guaranteed except when the party waives this right of privacy.	28 29 30
	After discussion, and upon a suggestion by Prof. Korn, Mr. Schulman amended the motion by adding the following:	31 32
	The Senate Office shall establish mail boxes for Senate officers and Committee Chairpersons. The executive secretary (or some other designated person) should monitor the expeditious collection of this mail by the persons to whom material was sent.	33 34 35 36
	After discussion the question was called and carried.	37
	The motion as amended carried by hand vote.	38
	Prof. Flashner asked that the Minutes indicate that this vote in no way censures anybody for past practice of opening mail, which practice was accepted office procedure.	39 40 41
Committee Reports:	<u>Teacher Evaluations Committee</u> Mr. Richard Schulman, Chairman of the Committee, presented the Report dated 14 February 1978, and moved for approval of the following resolution:	42 43 44
	BE IT RESOLVED, that the number of students officially registered appear on all future Teacher Evaluation Printouts.	45 46

After discussion, Prof. Kirwan moved that the resolution be recommitted. 47

The question was called and carried. 48

The motion to recommit carried by hand vote. 49

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Evening Session Council 51

Prof. Allan Brick, Chairman of the Evening Session Council, presented 52
the Report dated 14 February 1978, and moved for approval of the 53
following 3-part resolution: 54

BE IT RESOLVED, that Hunter College go on record as encouraging 'older' 55
students to explore their college potential by taking credit-bearing 56
courses as non-degree students and allowing such students later to 57
transfer their credits for direct admission as degree students on the 58
basis of their proven academic performance; 59

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that Hunter College undertake to admit 60
through the University Office of Admission Services (OAS) as transfer 61
students such students as in the past entered as "non-matriculated" 62
students and proved by their subsequent careers at Hunter their 63
capacity for college-level education; 64

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that Hunter College take effective action 65
to make the admissions and advising procedures related to these 66
categories known and available to all potential 'older' and/or 67
returning students, "effective action" here being meant to include 68
well-planned procedures for advertising what Hunter has to offer such 69
students and trained personnel for counseling them about admissions; 70
and that Associate Dean for General Studies, Dorothy Helly, report 71
to the Senate within three months concerning the progress of Hunter 72
College actions in these respects. 73

After discussion, the question was called and carried. 74

The resolution (lines 55 to 73 above) carried by hand vote. 75

Undergraduate Academic Requirements Committee 76

Prof. Peter Basquin presented the Committee Report dated 14 February 1978 77
and moved for approval of the following 3-part resolution: 78

BE IT RESOLVED, that beginning in Fall 1978: 79

1. Students not be permitted to repeat courses they have previously 80
passed (received a grade of A, B, C, D, or Cr); 81
2. Letter grades in all courses be counted in the GPA; 82
3. A student who has received a grade of F or NC twice in the same 83
course (or an F once and NC once) not be allowed to register for 84
that course again except by special permission of the department 85
in which the course is taught and the student's advisor: the major 86
advisor for students who have chosen a major or the general 87
academic advisor for underclassmen. 88

Mr. Callender moved that the motion be amended by deleting grade "D" from 89
part # 1. 90

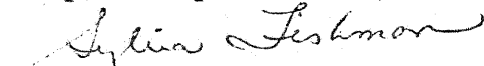
After discussion, Prof. Korn suggested that the amendment be amended to 91
read: "1. Students shall not be permitted to repeat courses in which 92
they have previously received a grade of A, B, C, or Cr." 93

This amendment was accepted by Mr. Callender. 94

After discussion, the question was divided. 95

After further discussion the Chair informed the Senate that, because of 96
scheduling conflicts, further discussion would have to be postponed to 97
the next meeting. The meeting was adjourned at 6:15 p.m. 98

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:

Anthropology: Daniel Bates
Lester Firschein
Risa Pollack

Biology: Edward Balboni
Marcia Brody

Black & Puerto Rican Studies: John Clarke

Chemistry: Angelo Santoro
Richard Wiley

Classics: Julia Russo

Communications: Thomas Mader

Curriculum & Teaching: Mae Gamble

Economics: Kenneth Smith

Geology & Geography: Anna Gavasci "E"

German: Minna Altman "E"

Health & Physical Education: Thomas Burke
Mary Lefkarites

Library: Kathleen Meier "E"

Mathematics: Chris Melzer
Brian Shay

Nursing: Sara Aronson
Tara Cortes "E"
Margaret Magnus "E"
Mary Tomaselli

Philosophy: William Bryar "E"

Physics & Astronomy: Francisco Izaguine
Rodney Varley

Political Science: Julian Baim

Romance Languages: Nancy Horneffer
James Pellicer

Social Work: Malka Sternberg
Joel Walker

Sociology: Monica Gordon
Joyce Ladner

Theatre & Cinema: Barbara Leaming
Harold Levitt
Richard Tomkins
Michael Posnick

Urban Affairs: Louis Gary

STUDENTS:

Graduate Students:

Irene Coogan
Martin Grossman
Danielle Leucove
Adrienne Mannina
Kevin Mulroy
Miguel Rodriguez
Sheila Silveti

Seek Students:

Charles Barron

Day Session Students:

Arlene Kastner
Henry Hoepfner
Elise Krobatsch
George Alicea
Martin Cohen
Ed Davila
Eric Weissman
Violet Whiteman
Burt Zapken

Evening Session Students:

Arpard Fazakas
Avram Gropper
Chrisanthe Paris
Monica Lecesse
David Parry
Elizabeth Sloane
Wayne Bishop
Donald Pols
Marge Sullivan

A P P E N D I X I I

Summary statement of the Provost's Report to the Senate:

There are a number of items I would like to bring to your attention. Several of them are in the way of good news. First I would like to report that we have already registered for this term some 17,100 students and we expect 500-600 more students to register. These students are registered and paid. The new registration procedure went very well. There were almost no periods with long lines, and we have received letters from students complimenting the new procedure. We feel that the experiment was a very substantial success. This 17,100 means that we have averaged somewhat above 11,700 FTE's. We expect an average for the year of about 12,000 FTE.

Second, I am very happy to report that to date we only have 3,600 change of registration (add-drop). We may have as many as 6,000 add-drop by the end of the period and we can compare that with approximately 10,000 last year at this time. We believe that the substantial drop was at least in part due to the fact that registration took place so close to the beginning of classes.

The Governor's Budget has been proposed. Hunter College, along with almost every other college received certain cuts in the budget. The State is somehow convinced that all colleges of the City University are overstaffed in Maintenance Operations. As a result of this the budget was cut across the board. They also took out several people from Business Operation due to the fact that 80th Street is carrying on some of the work that was previously carried out there. At Hunter we do not see any faculty cuts. This compares with faculty cuts of 40 at Lehman, 23 at City College and some cuts elsewhere. There were additions of 2 or 3 faculty at Queens, and more at Baruch. There is therefore a dollar cut for Hunter College which, as we figure it, runs between 800 and 900 thousand dollars. Part of the cut is being strenuously fought by 80th Street, on the grounds that the State does not understand the problems with Maintenance Operations. In addition to that there is a problem with the Bellevue facility. Albany admits to being confused about the relationship of Bellevue to Hunter. We hope to get that straightened out.

The Budget seems fairly encouraging in that it reflects faculty stability which is based on student enrollment.

There is one major development which the President was able to announce at the Honors Convocation this morning. We there gave Honorary Degrees to Dr. Rosalyn Yalow, and to four people who have been involved with Brookdale Center on Aging: Dr. Arthur S. Fleming, Dr. Henry Schwartz, Benefactor, Alice Brophy, Commissioner of the Department on Aging of the City of New York, and Judge A. David Benjamin, who has been very helpful to Hunter in a number of ways, not the least in securing the decision that the jurisdiction over the Bellevue Facility is now totally ours. The first priority of renovation at the Bellevue Building is to build laboratories and classrooms, that will enable us to move the entire facility and student body of the School of Health Sciences to Bellevue by September 1st, and we have very good hopes for doing this.

Finally I would like to say a word to this body about the Writing Center, which has submitted the Fall-term report. Briefly, the number of students served by the Writing Center, and the kinds of services that the Writing Center has offered, have both increased. We have increased the funding for tutors, and we are very pleased with the way the Center is working. Regarding the mode of referral, the number of students referred by faculty or in other ways are several hundred. You recall that the Senate requested that referral forms be sent out, and a very substantial number of those forms were sent out. 46 forms were submitted by faculty at that time, in contrast to 235 other referrals. Of the students who were referred through the 46 forms only 4 came as opposed to the 500 that came in other ways. This does suggest that probably the other ways of recruiting students are more efficient. The two Directors of the Writing Center, Professors Persky and Raimes, are coordinating a Seminar on the Teaching of Writing, and I hope that later during the term we will be able to report to you on results of the Seminar.

The Provost concluded the Report by answering questions from the floor of the Senate.