

M I N U T E S

Special Meeting of the Hunter College Senate
14 May 1980

The 139th meeting of the Hunter College Senate was convened at 4:45 p.m. in the Playhouse.

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Presiding: Allan Brick, Chairperson

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Attendance: The elected members of the Senate with the exception of those listed in Appendix I.

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Report by the Administrative Committee: Prof. Brick announced that at the next meeting of the Senate on May 21st newly elected senators would be seated.

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Business Carried Charter Review Committee

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Over From Last Meeting: Prof. Sam Korn, Chairperson of the Committee, opened the floor for continued discussion of the proposed Amendment to the Hunter College Governance Charter re: establishing a Standing Committee on the Evaluation of Academic Administrators:

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Committee on Evaluation of Academic Administrators

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The Senate shall establish a Committee on the Evaluation of Academic Administrators consisting of 6 faculty members, one each elected from Day Session, Evening Session (SGS), Graduate, and 3 at-large, 4 students, one each from Day Session, Evening Session (SGS), Graduate, and one at-large, 1 member of the College administration designated by the President, and a chairperson elected by the Senate without constraint as to category.

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The Committee on the Evaluation of Academic Administrators shall develop the guidelines which, on review by the Senate, will be followed by the Committee in its regular evaluations. The result of such evaluations shall be forwarded to the appropriate college and university authorities following approval by the Senate. These evaluations shall also be made available to faculty and students of Hunter College.

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After discussion Prof. Bennick moved that the proposal be amended by changing line 23 above to read:

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"followed by the Committee in conducting the regular evaluations..."

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After discussion the question was called and carried.

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Prof. Bennick's motion to amend carried by hand vote with 44 in favor, none opposed, and 6 abstentions.

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The amendment became part of the main motion on the floor.

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After discussion the question on the main motion as amended was called and carried.

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The motion to amend the Charter to include a Standing Committee on the Evaluation of Academic Administrators was defeated, not having received the required 3/4 majority vote. (29 in favor, 23 opposed, and 3 abstentions.)

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A recount produced the following vote: 28 in favor, 24 opposed, and 3 abstentions.

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Prof. Flashner moved, and it was seconded:

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"that the Senate establish an ad-hoc Committee on the Evaluation of Academic Administrators, as per lines 13-27 above."

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On a point of information, the Chair reminded the Senate that Senate Committee members are elected by the Senate based on nominations presented by the Senate's Nominating Committee. 46
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After discussion Dean Harrison moved that the motion be amended by substituting the following for the second paragraph: 49
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The ad-hoc Committee on the Evaluation of Academic Administrators will report to the Senate recommendations and guidelines for an evaluation procedure for academic administrators. 51
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After brief discussion the question was called and carried. 54

Dean Harrison's amendment was approved by hand vote with 37 in favor, 4 opposed, and 2 abstentions. 55
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The question on the main motion as amended was called and carried. 57

Prof. Flashner's motion (lines 13 to 20 above) as amended (lines 51 to 53 above) carried unanimously by hand vote. (41 in favor). 58

Re: Resolution on "Inter-session" 59
Mr. Lee Margulies introduced the following resolution and moved for its approval: 60
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The duties of the instructional staff who teach full time consists of a wide range of professional activities in addition to teaching; therefore, it is the sense of this body that the period between the end of the Fall term final examinations and the beginning of the Spring term classes--shall be a period for community service, research and scholarly writing, individual work on course and curricula development, and personal professional activities, such as participation in professional associations. 62
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During discussion Mr. Olefson proposed an amendment which he later withdrew. 70

Provost Schneewind moved that the motion be amended by adding: 71

"Nothing in this motion is intended to contravene any provisions of the PSC Contract." 72
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The amendment was accepted by the mover and became part of the main motion on the floor. 74
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After further discussion, Prof. Korn moved that the motion be tabled. 76

The motion to table carried by hand vote. 77

Undergraduate Academic Requirements Committee re: Plus/Minus Grading 78
Prof. Peter Basquin, Chairperson of the Committee, presented the Committee's report and a minority report, as distributed. 79
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Prof. Bennick, on behalf of the author of the Minority Report who was unable to attend the meeting, moved for adoption of the plus/minus grading system. 81
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After discussion, and because of the late hour, the Chair informed the Senate that further discussion would be carried over to the next meeting. 84
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A motion to adjourn carried, and the meeting was adjourned at 6:25 p.m. 86

Respectfully submitted,

Tamara M. Green
Tamara Green,
Secretary

A P P E N D I X I

The following members are noted as absent from the meeting:

FACULTY:

Anthropology: Rena Gropper
Daniel Gross "E"

Art: Roy DeCarava
Dennis McCarthy
Richard Stapleford

Biology: Richard Mawe

Black & Puerto Rican Studies: Aflred Sears
E. Pratts-Rivera

Chemistry: Louis Massa "E"

Classics: Murray Lichtenstein

Communications: Linda Eagle
Thomas Mader
Fulton Ross

Curriculum & Teaching: Mae Gamble
John Niman

Economics: Arthur Gruen
Kenneth Smith

English: Linda Kunz

Geology & Geography: Roy Grossman
Russell White

Health & Physical Education: Claire Schmais
Edward Gibbons

Home Economics: Mary Ludden
Raj Varma

Health Sciences: Irving Eckman
Russell Sergeant
Laurie Selman "E"

Nursing: Mary Ranshorn "E"
Rita Wieczorek
Cynthia Sculco

Philosophy: James Muyskens

Physics & Astronomy: Leon Cohen "E"

Psychology: Robert Fried

Romance Languages: Juan Agudiez
Nancy Horneffer
Carlos Hortas
Giuseppina Welsh

Social Work: Eleanor Bromberg
Joel Walker
Barbara Morrison

Sociology: Paulette Pierce
Janet Poppendieck
Jody Carlson

Student Services: James Koutrelakos

Theatre & Cinema: Daniel Koetting
Richard Tomkins

Urban Affairs: Hans Spiegel
Donald Sullivan

STUDENTS:

Graduate Students:

Doris Chee "E"
Helen Silberstein
Robert Tilley
Barbara Sharon

Seek Students:

Barbara Benjamin
Serena Walker
Sharon Bailey

Day Session Students:

Diane Cimino
Neal Matteo
Sandy Del Pin
Laura Bianchini
Gail Zinberg
Brian Seirup
Lynn Li Donnici
Heike Jungblut
Myra Bachman "E"
Adele Francis
Christine Young
Thomas DePrisco
Andrew Sushkiw

Evening Session Students:

Josephine D'Addario
Flora Price
Janet Joyce Belshi
Antonia Perez
Marie Diaz
Stephen Smith
Gerry Savage

Dean Dorothy White "E"
Dean Evelyn Handler
Dr. Lewis Temares