

M I N U T E S

Regular Meeting of the Hunter College Senate
6 May 1981

The ⁴⁵¹ 147th meeting of the Hunter College Senate was convened at 4:40 p.m. in the Playhouse.	1 2
Presiding: Allan Brick, 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 11th and April 1st were approved as distributed.	6
Report by the President: There was no report.	7
Report by the Ombudsman: The Ombudsman reported his discussion with President Shalala concerning the delay students encounter after applying for tuition refunds and the long lines and lack of privacy in collecting financial aid checks. The President hopes to remedy these situations as soon as possible.	8 9 10 11
Some complaints by faculty of being harrassed by students have recently come to attention. These incidents involve verbal and/or physical abuse and threats. Faculty involved have received support from the administration, but the general issue needs further attention. Anybody who has had any similar experiences should discuss this with the Ombudsman.	12 13 14 15 16
Report by the Administrarive Committee: a. <u>Approved Curriculum Changes</u>	17
The following changes were approved as per Senate resolution and were submitted for the Senate's information: Items UR-453 (Mathematical Sciences), UR-454 (Computer Science), UR-464 (Mathematical Sciences), US-440 (Health Sciences), US-445 (Theatre & Film), US-434 (Health & Physical Education).	18 19 20 21 22
b. <u>Senate Meeting Schedule for Fall 1981 and Spring 1982</u>	23
Prof. Brick presented the following schedule for the Senate's approval:	24 25
<u>FALL 1981</u>	26
<u>Time: Wednesdays from 4:30 to 6:25 p.m.</u>	27
<u>Regular Meetings</u>	28
September 23	29
October 14	30
November 4	31
December 2	32
January 13	33
<u>SPRING 1982</u>	34
<u>Time: Wednesdays from 4:30 to 6:25 p.m.</u>	35
February 24	36
March 10	37
April 14	38
May 12	39
The motion to approve the schedule carried by voice vote.	40
2. Prof. Brick yielded the floor to Prof. Alan Holder, Chairperson of the Advisory Committee on the Library.	41 42
Prof. Holder informed the Senate that a Committee report would be presented for Senate action in September. He then proposed the following resolution on behalf of his committee:	43 44 45
BE IT RESOLVED, that the Senate commend President Donna Shalala for her efforts to obtain sizable additional funding for acquisition of materials the library was not able to secure during those years when funds for new acquisitions were virtually frozen.	46 47 48 49 50
After brief discussion, the resolution carried by acclamation.	51

Committee	<u>Nominating Committee</u>	52
Reports:	Prof. Louis Massa, Chairperson of the Committee, presented the Committee's nominations as distributed:	53 54
	The floor was opened for further nominations. None having been received, the Secretary was instructed to cast a ballot in favor of each nominee, and the following were elected.	55 56 57
	<u>Undergraduate Course of Study Committee</u>	58
	<u>Student:</u> Ms. Karen Bell - Classical Studies Major - at-large	59
	<u>Teacher Evaluations Committee</u>	60
	<u>Student:</u> Ms. Helen Jacobsen - Graduate - Education	61
	<u>Budget Committee</u>	62
	<u>Faculty:</u> Prof. Thomas Burke, Health & Physical Education-Educ.	63
	<u>Committee on Evaluation of Academic Administrators</u>	64
	<u>Faculty:</u> Prof. Cynthia Sculco - School of Nursing - Graduate	65
	<u>Student Standing Committee</u>	66
	<u>Faculty:</u> Prof. Nambi Krishnamachari - Academic Skills	67
	<u>Charter Review Committee</u>	68
	<u>Faculty Alternate:</u> Prof. Charles Sherover - Philosophy	69
	Prof. Massa next opened the floor for nominations to fill a vacant seat for a faculty member on the Nominating Committee.	70 71
	Professors Sandra Clarkson (Mathematical Sciences) and Henry Evans (Academic Skills) were nominated.	72 73
	The result of voting by written ballot produced the following results:	74 75
	Prof. Clarkson = 37 votes	76
	Prof. Evans = 32 votes	77
	2 abstentions	78
	Prof. Sandra Clarkson was elected to membership on the Nominating Committee.	79 80
	Prof. Massa next opened the floor for nominations to fill a vacant seat for a faculty member from the Division of Humanities & Arts on the Master Plan Committee.	81 82 83
	Professors Richard Stapleford (Art) and Giuseppina Welsh (Romance Languages) were nominated.	84 85
	The result of voting by written ballot produced the following results:	86 87
	Prof. Stapleford = 42 votes	88
	Prof. Welsh = 21 votes	89
	1 abstention	90
	1 invalid vote	91
	Prof. Richard Stapleford was elected to membership on the Master Plan Committee.	92 93
	Prof. Massa concluded his report by informing the Senate that all Senate Committees are now 100% staffed.	94 95
	Provost Schneewind proposed the following resolution and moved for its approval:	96 97
	"that nominations by the Nominating Committee, and a listing of vacancies scheduled to be filled from the floor of the Senate, be circulated by mail prior to the Senate meeting at which these vacancies are to be filled after nominations from the floor.	98 99 100 101
	After discussion, the motion was approved by voice vote.	102

Charter Review Committee 103
Prof. Sam Korn, Chairperson of the Committee, presented the 104
Second Reading of the proposed Amendments to the Hunter College 105
Governance Charter. He explained that the proposed amendments 106
to the proposal as distributed, take into consideration the 107
various concerns raised at the last Senate meeting. 108

Each proposed amendment was presented in turn, and voted on 109
separately. All amendments to the proposal were approved by 110
hand vote. The full report, as amended and approved by the 111
Senate, is attached as Appendix II. It will be presented to the 112
1981/1982 Senate for adoption vote at the May 20th meeting. 113

Departmental Governance Committee 114
Dean Walter Weiss, Chairperson of the Committee, presented the 115
proposed revision of the By-laws of the Department of Health 116
& Physical Education, as distributed. 117

The question was called and carried. 118

The motion to approve the revised By-laws carried unanimously 119
by hand vote. 120

Old Business: Dean Helly moved "that the Administrative Committee be requested to 121
clarify the appeals procedure regarding written challenges of 122
curriculum proposals to the Divisional Curriculum Committee, and 123
whether or not the individual challenging a proposal should be 124
invited to the meeting at which the challenge is to be considered." 125

The motion carried by hand vote. 126

A motion to adjourn carried, and the meeting was adjourned at 127
6:05 p.m. 128

Respectfully submitted,

Tamara M. Green
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Secretary

A P P E N D I X I

The following members are noted as absent from the meeting:

FACULTY:

Seek: Yvonne Wong "E"

Anthropology: Lester Firschein
Daniel Gross

Art: Lis Vergara

Biology: Audrey Haschemeyer

Black & Puerto Rican Studies: Myrna Bain

Chemistry: Bernard Greenberg

Classics: Murray Lichtenstein
William Mayer

Educational Foundations: Alfred Pasteur "E"

English: Jane Benardete
Linda Kunz

Geology & Geography: Peter Rigotti

German: E. F. Hoffman "E"

History: Naomi Miller "E"

Home Economics: Raj Varma "E"

Health Sciences: Lee Margulies "E"
Laurie Selman

Library: William Omelchenko "E"
Milton Mittelman

Mathematics: Thomas Wesselkamper
Jane Matthews

Music: John Reeves White "E"

Nursing: Joyce Hope "E"

Physics & Astronomy: Leon Cohen "E"

Political Science: Gil Alroy
Julian Baim

Romance Languages: Nancy Horneffer

Social Work: Joel Walker
Mildred Allen
Carmen Hendrick

Sociology: John Cuddihy "E"
Celia Heller

Student Services: Rafael Ferrer

Theatre & Film: Ian Calderon
Constance Clark

Urban Affairs: Donald Sullivan "E"

Dean Dorothy White "E"
V.P. John Tesoriero "E"

STUDENTS:

Graduate Students:

Jo Steele
Dolores Hull "E"

Seek Students:

Barbara Benjamin

Day Session Students:

Zef Sheri
Vernita Widman
Donald Kern
Patricia Cavallero
Darryl Penenberg
Edward Kwiakowski
Phyllis Vodicka

Evening Session Students:

Priscilla Scudder
Felicita Colon
Michael Druso

A P P E N D I X I I

Report by the Charter Review Committee (Second Reading)

The Charter Review Committee is presenting the following amendments to the Charter for a Governance of Hunter College. In accordance with the amendment procedures approved by the Board (Calendar April 23, 1979, No.6B) The First Reading will take place at the Senate meeting of April 1st, with the Second Reading at the meeting on May 6th. The Third Reading and voting will be the first order of business after the election of Senate Officers at the meeting on May 20th.

Proposed Amendments to Articles III, IV, and VIII:

ARTICLE III

Section 1: (additions are underlined)

The Hunter College Senate shall have 200 members, all of them with full voting rights in the Senate, being composed of 57% faculty members, 38% students and 5% representatives of the administration, with seats reserved in the following proportions: ...

ARTICLE IV

Delete the following first paragraph:

For purposes of this Article, the School of Social Work shall be considered the equivalent of a Department in the Division of Social Sciences, and the Institute of Health Sciences the equivalent of a Department in the Division of Sciences and Mathematics.

Section 1 C. (ii): (new wording is underlined)

(ii) The remaining 11 seats shall be reserved to Day Session Freshmen and Sophomores who have not as yet declared their major, candidacy at-large shall be declared by filing a petition carrying at least 150 signatures of Day Session Freshmen and non-major Sophomores-- a petition meeting the requirements established by the Senate. From the pool of such candidates, the Day Session Freshmen and non-major Sophomores will elect the required number of representatives by an at-large election.

Section 1 E. (i) and (ii): (new wording is underlined)

The 22 Senate seats reserved for Graduate Students shall be filled as follows:

(i) 15 seats shall be filled by graduate students matriculated in programs offered in the various academic divisions and professional schools in the College; one seat to each academic division and professional school and the remainder shall be allocated to the academic divisions and professional schools in proportion to the total number of matriculated students enrolled. Such allocations shall be recalculated every January, starting in 1982.

Section 1 E. (iii) becomes 1 E. (ii)

Section 1 E. (iv) becomes 1 E. (iii).

Section 1 H. (new addition)

(i) A Senate seat reserved for faculty members with specific rank, or other qualification (as outlined in Article IV, Section 1 A and B) that remains vacant after the elections scheduled for such seats, shall be filled for the remainder of the regular term by a faculty election conducted by a process approved by the Senate.

(ii) A Senate seat reserved for students with specified sessional, major-nonmajor, graduate-undergraduate or other qualifications (as outlined in Article IV, Sections C, D, E and F) that remains vacant after the elections scheduled for such seats, shall be filled for the remainder of the regular term by a student election conducted by a process approved by the Senate.