

M I N U T E S

Regular Meeting of the Hunter College Senate  
24 September 1980

The <sup>141</sup> 137th 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 May 14th and May 21st were approved as distributed.	6
Report by the President: The following is a summary statement of President Shalala's report to the Senate:	7 8
President Shalala, in her first address to the Senate, reported on a number of items of concern:	9 10
<u>Re: New Buildings:</u> The President reported that she and Vice-President for Administration John Tesoriero had met with the State Dormitory Authority, the agency responsible for the construction. Construction is running on schedule, and the buildings should be ready for occupancy in September 1982. It is planned that the Library will move in during the Summer of 1982. A \$10M budget, the largest ever, has been allocated for equipment and furniture. A series of meetings with department chairpersons and administrators are scheduled to take place soon for detailed planning, including equipment needs and space allocations.	11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19
<u>Re: Renovation:</u> The President informed the Senate that she had authorized expenditures to hire a consultant to start planning the renovation of 695 Park Avenue. It is intended that the renovation be financed by public monies together with private funding if it can be found.	20 21 22 23 24
<u>Re: Development:</u> President Shalala informed the Senate that she had hired an Assistant for Development, Russell Meade. Mr. Meade is in charge of organizing a development strategy for Hunter. Mr. Meade had previously been working for a large fund-raising firm.	25 26 27 28
<u>Re: Recruitment:</u> One of the President's concerns is the recruitment of undergraduates. She is reviewing the college's resources and how they are used for recruitment. The development of a strategy to attract as high a quality of a student body as possible is her goal.	29 30 31 32
<u>Re: Searches:</u> President Shalala announced that a number of Deanships and the position of Provost will require setting up Search Committees as quickly as possible. She supports the desire of the Senate for increased faculty participation in the selection process. The President indicated her concerns about affirmative action matter as regards to race and sex, and that the Search Committees get off the ground as soon as possible. She informed the Senate that she would like to encourage candidates from Hunter without restrictions, and that she is sensitive to the way of how we treat Hunter faculty who are candidates for the various openings.	33 34 35 36 37 38 39 40 41 42
The President reported that she has been meeting with department chairs, program chairs, associate and assistant deans, student leaders, and will be meeting with more senior faculty later this fall; she concluded the report with a brief question-and-answer period.	43 44 45 46
Report by the Ombudsman: The following is a summary statement of the Ombudsman's Report:	47
There is a continuous trickle of complaints coming to the office-- involving students, faculty, and staff. Problems involving an injustice towards a particular individual are most often resolved with the cooperation of the faculty or administration. When an "institutional issue" is involved, such as "long lines at registration" the problem is more difficult to deal with because direct, immediate remedies are not available. Some problems dealt with by the Ombudsman	48 49 50 51 52 53 54

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cannot be resolved because of the lack of reasonable cooperation 55  
by the individuals who can correct the situations involved. Since 56  
the Ombudsman cannot order a faculty member or administrator to do 57  
anything, only further attempts at persuasion or a change of rules 58  
can rectify the situation. The Ombudsman suggested that an additional 59  
avenue, to increase compliance, is the use of "Letters of Reprimand" 60  
to school officers who supervise the uncooperative faculty or 61  
administrators. Individuals were invited by the Ombudsman to discuss 62  
with him their views of this plan. 63

- Report by the Administrative Committee: Prof. Tamara Green, Secretary of the Senate, presented the Report as follows: 64 65
1. Proposed that the regular Senate meeting of October 8th be re-scheduled to October 15th, because of the inauguration of President Shalala. 66 67 68  

There having been no objection, it was so ordered. 69
  2. Announced that, at the request of the Chairperson of that Committee, the Report of the Departmental Governance Committee would be postponed to the next meeting. 70 71 72
  3. Approved Curriculum Changes 73  

The following curriculum changes were approved as per Senate resolution, and were submitted for the Senate's information: 74  
Items GS-149B (Mathematical Sciences), GS-152 (Health & Physical Education). 75 76
  4. Informed the Senate that, in order for the Grade Appeals Committee to start its meetings without delay, the Nominating Committee would like to present nominations for the two vacant seats for faculty members on that Committee. 77 78 79 80  

Prof. Green, on behalf of the Nominating Committee, presented the following nominations: 81 82  
Prof. Fulton Ross - Communications 83  
Prof. Sylvia Roshkow - English 84

The floor was opened for further nominations. No additional nominations having been received, Professors Ross and Roshkow were elected to the Senate's Grade Appeals Committee. 85 86 87

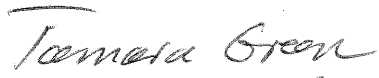
Prof. Green next informed the Senate that there are at present three student vacancies on the Nominating Committee. The floor was opened for nominations, and the following were nominated: 88 89 90  
Mr. Artie Ott - Day 91  
Mr. Donald Kern - Day 92  
Mr. Zef Sheri - Day 93

A motion to close nominations carried, and Mr. Artie Ott, Donald Kern, and Zef Sheri were elected to membership on the Nominating Committee. 94 95
  5. Prof. Green yielded the floor to Prof. Al Bennick, Chairperson of the Special Committee on Administrative Searches. 96 97  

Special Committee on Administrative Searches 98  
Prof. Bennick presented the Report as distributed, and provided a detailed explanation of the 'history' of search procedures at Hunter. 99 100  
He opened the floor for discussion. 101  
During discussion, Dean Helly requested that the following clarification re: searches for divisional deans, as per line 28 of the report, be recorded: "The words 'appropriate subdivision' should be interpreted to mean, for example, different programs within a professional school for searches in that school, as compared with departments within an academic division of the college." 102 103 104 105 106 107  
After discussion, Prof. Korn moved that the report be amended as follows: 108

<u>line 14 should read: "a. Divisional searches shall be conducted for the following officers or their equivalents."</u>	109 110
<u>line 22 should read: "b. School-wide searches shall be conducted for the following officers or their equivalents."</u>	111 112
<u>line 25 should read: "Dean of SGS"</u>	113
<u>Paragraph 1.b.: add "5. Registrar."</u>	114
After discussion, the question was called and carried.	115
The motion to approve Prof. Korn's amendments carried by hand vote.	116
Prof. Kirwan moved that the Report be further amended as follows:	117
<u>line 32 should read: "committee. Faculty members--including part-time faculty members--and student majors from this..."</u>	118 119
<u>line 51 should read: "the search committee. Faculty--including part-time faculty--and students may also be nominated..."</u>	120 121
After discussion, the question was called and carried.	122
The motion to approve Prof. Kirwan's amendment carried by hand vote.	123
Mr. Savage proposed the following amendments to the Report, which were moved and seconded:	124 125
1. At the end of line 46 add the following wording: "For the purposes of this article, the Day Session Student Government Commissioner for Hunter-Bellevue shall hold one student seat on the Search Committee for Dean of School of Nursing."	126 127 128 129
2. At the end of line 61 add the following wording: "For the purposes this article, and in keeping with College tradition, the Presidents of the Day Session Student Government, Evening Session Student Government, and Graduate Student Association, shall hold the student seats on the Search Committee for Dean of Students. In the case of the Dean of SGS, the SGS Student Senate shall elect one student representative for the Search Committee for Dean of SGS (or equivalent."	130 131 132 133 134 135 136 137
After discussion the question was called.	138
The motion to call the question was defeated by hand vote.	139
After further discussion the question was called and carried.	140
The motion to approve Mr. Savage's amendments was defeated by hand vote with 12 in favor, 33 opposed, and 5 abstentions.	141 142
The question was called and carried on the motion to approve the entire report as amended.	143 144
The motion carried by hand vote with 44 in favor, 1 opposed, and 5 abstentions.	145 146
(The complete Report as amended and approved is attached as Appendix II.)	147
A motion to adjourn carried, and the meeting was adjourned at 6:30 p.m.	

Respectfully submitted,



Tamara Green,  
Secretary

A P P E N D I X I

The following members are noted as absent from the meeting:

FACULTY:

Seek: Athlyn Sawyer "E"

Anthropology: Daniel Gross

Art: Lisa Vergara  
Richard Stapleford "E"

Biology: Richard Piccioni

Black & Puerto Rican Studies: Jose Sanchez  
Myrna Bain

Communications: Linda Eagle

Curriculum & Teaching: John Niman

Educational Foundations: Joan Buxbaum "E"  
Alfred Pasteur

English: Jane Benardete "E"

Geology & Geography: Peter Rigotti

German: Anna Gutman

Health & Physical Education: Susan Higgins "E"  
Nana Sue Koch

History: Naomi Miller

Health Sciences: Lee Margulies "E"

Library: William Omelchenko

Mathematics: Thomas Wesselkamper  
Barbara Primosch

Nursing: Joyce Hope

Psychology: Robert Fried

Romance Languages: Carlos Hortas

Social Work: Joel Walker  
Eleanor Bromberg  
Barbara Morrison

Theatre & Cinema: Daniel Koetting "E"

Urban Affairs: Hans Spiegel  
Donald Sullivan

STUDENTS:

Graduate Students:

Doris Chee  
Kenneth Molinari  
Lori Hartman  
Helen Silberstein  
Dolores Hull  
Robert Tilly  
Barbara Sharon  
Abby Murphy

Seek Students:

Barbara Benjamin  
Serena Walker

Day Session Students:

Sandy Del Pin  
Gail Zinberg  
Brian Seirup  
Heike Jungblut  
Adele Francis "E"  
Bob Behr  
Linda Tate  
Manlio Di Preta  
Vernita Widman  
Karen Kaplan  
Frances Rocco  
Andrew Sushkiw  
Thomas DePrisco  
Gilda Atlmann  
Jose Edgar Linares  
Darryl Penenberg  
Roland Stancione

Evening Session Students:

Flora Price  
Antonia Perez

Dean Dorothy White  
Dean James Harrison "E"  
Provost Jerome Schneewind "E"

"E" = Excused

A P P E N D I X II

Report of the Special Senate Committee on Administrative Searches  
(as amended and approved).

1. Administrative searches, pursuant to these guidelines, shall be made for all administrators who, because of the nature of their policy making, have significant impact on academic affairs and on the rights and welfare of the students and the faculty. It is also recognized that the policy making of some administrators has a college-wide impact while others affect primarily only their divisions. Accordingly, it is proposed to have different search committee staffing procedures for these situations.

The following list is not intended to be a final complete list of all positions for which searches are to be conducted. They are the titles of the positions which currently satisfy the criteria in the first paragraph. As new administrative positions or titles are created, they will be examined to see whether or not they satisfy the criteria.

a. Divisional searches shall be conducted for the following officers or their equivalents:

1. Dean of Programs in Education
2. Dean of Humanities & the Arts
3. Dean of Sciences and Mathematics
4. Dean of Social Sciences
5. Dean of School of Health Sciences
6. Dean of School of Nursing
7. Dean of School of Social Work

b. School-wide searches shall be conducted for the following officers or their equivalents:

1. Vice President & Provost
2. Dean of Students
3. Dean of SGS
4. Chief Librarian
5. Registrar

2.a. Searches for Divisional (or equivalent) Deans

Each department (or other appropriate subdivision) in the division or equivalent may nominate one or more full time faculty members by election amongst its full time faculty members and one or more students by election amongst its student majors (or equivalent) for service on the search committee. Faculty members--including part-time faculty--and student majors from this division may also be nominated by petition of 25 faculty members and 25 students respectively. The Hunter College Senate shall elect a panel of 8 faculty members and 6 student members from this pool of nominees in such a manner as to provide for the widest possible distribution of departmental or programmatic representation on the committee. From this panel the President shall choose a search committee consisting of 4 faculty members and 3 students. Departments not represented on the committee shall be specifically invited to testify before the committee on their concerns and recommendations. The Senate shall elect a panel of 3 from amongst all divisions other than the one for which the search is being conducted, from which the President shall choose a non-voting Chairperson. The Chairperson shall function as the executive officer of the committee, sending out all correspondence, distributing information on candidates, arranging interviews, etc.

2.b. Searches for School-Wide Administrators

Each department (or equivalent) may nominate one full time faculty member by election amongst its full time faculty members and one student

by election amongst its student majors (or equivalent) for service on the search committee. Faculty--including part-time faculty--and students may also be nominated at large by petition of 25 members of their constituency. The Hunter College Senate shall elect a panel of 8 ~~full-time~~ faculty members and 6 students from the pool of nominees in such a manner as to achieve the widest possible distribution amongst the divisions. From this panel, the President shall choose a search committee consisting of 4 faculty members and 3 students. In the case of a search for the Chief Librarian, at least two members of the Library staff shall be on the panel and one on the committee. The Senate shall elect a panel of 3 from amongst the Hunter College Community at large from which the President shall choose a non-voting chairperson whose function shall be as stated in 2.a.

As a result of its search procedure, the search committee shall submit to the President a list containing the names of at least 3 qualified candidates. The President shall either appoint someone from this list or request that the committee reopen its search to produce a new list.

Committee Members:

Prof. Alfred Bennick, Chairperson

Prof. Gil Alroy

Mr. Ed Davila

Mr. Gil Ehrenkranz

Prof. Harold Judenfriend

Prof. Thomas Mader

Prof. Brian Shay