

BRONX COMMUNITY COLLEGE
of the City University of New York

COLLEGE SENATE

Minutes of the Meeting, 2:45 P.M., February 16, 1995
Begrish Hall 226

PRESENT: H. Andima, R. Bass, M. Bates, V. Bonelli, D. Cancienne, D. Cauty, C. Carew-Joyner, L. Corbie, G. Diallo, B. Ettinger, H. Fuld, A. Galub, D. Goetz, D. Gracian, J. Graham, N. Grill, M. Hermina, S. Hoberman, W. Hynes, K. Kerr, G. Lieblich, A. Lyles, R. Matos, A. Netburn, M-L. Nickerson, M. Pita, C. Polowczyk, A. Pomerantz, P. Read, J. Rempson, J. Ryan, S. Saddawi, J. Skurdenis, A. Smith, J. Spielberger, L. Squitieri, C. Stafford, B. Stein, B. Wilson, B. Witlieb.

EXCUSED: J. Riley.

GUESTS: M. Cummins, A. Fuller, J. Missick, M. Pulver.

1. CALL TO ORDER. Dr. Lieblich called the meeting to order at 2:45 P. M.
2. PRESIDENT'S REPORT. Dr. Leo Corbie noted that efforts were underway to deal with the state of fiscal exigency declared by the Board of Trustees. Chancellor W. Ann Reynolds will visit BCC in the near future. An ad hoc Retrenchment Committee has been named. There is no update on the Cultural Affairs Committee.
3. ANNOUNCEMENTS
 - a) The Chair announced that BCC continues to work on its "Mission Statement."
 - b) Dean Donald Cancienne clarified the process for the plans to deal with the budget reductions. He announced the appointment by President Corbie of the members of the Ad Hoc Retrenchment Committee, as mandated by the Board of Higher Education under the terms of the financial exigency.

Faculty members are: Dr. Ruth Bass, Dr. Frank Donnangelo, Dr. Arthur Galub, Dr. Jo-Ann Graham, Prof. William Hynes, Dr. Gerald Lieblich, Prof. Joseph Riley, Prof. Jeffrey Spielberger, and Prof. Barbara Wilson.

Non-teaching staff members are: Ms. Norma Antomattei, Mr. James Campbell, Ms. Rebecca Martinez, Mr. Byron Taylor and Mr. David Walker.

Administration members are President Corbie, Deans Cancienne, Polowczyk, Rempson, Thomas, Dr. Geraldine Diallo, Mr. George Kaufman and Ms. Shelly Levy.

Student members are Mr. Anthony Lyles, Mr. Ali Perez and Mr. Jerry Wooley.

4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES.

The minutes of December 8, 1994 were approved unanimously by voice vote with the following corrections:

1. The statement by Acting President Corbie which was reported as "b) CUNY College Presidents and the Chancellor attended the Middle States' 75th Anniversary celebration " should read"Some CUNY College Presidents and members of the Chancellory attended the Middle States' 75th Anniversary celebration in Philadelphia."

2. The announcement by Dr. Ruth Bass that "ballots will be distributed to the faculty in February. Previously passed amendments cannot be implemented until approval is obtained from the BHE " should read "ballots for the University Faculty Senate will be distributed to the faculty in February. Previously passed amendments cannot be implemented until approval is obtained from the Board of Trustees."

In addition, Mr. Anthony Lyles notified the Senate that, contrary to the report given at the December 8th meeting, the University Student Senate is not on record in opposition to the Immersion Institute.

5. COMMITTEE REPORTS.

a). COMMITTEE ON ACADEMIC STANDING. No report.

b) CURRICULUM. Dr. James Ryan presented items for action by the Senate. (See attachment)

c) GOVERNANCE AND ELECTIONS. Dr. Ruth Bass announced that the deadline for UFS ballots will be extended until 2/27/95. Nominations for Senator-at-Large will be circulated in March. Dr. Bass also thanked Dr. Galub and Mr. Harvey Erdsneker for helping to prepare the revisions to the college's governance plan for submission to the Board of Trustees.

d) INSTRUCTION AND PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT. Dr. Allan Pomerantz announced the committee was still working on improvement in instruction.

e) STUDENT ACTIVITIES. Dean of Students Joe L. Rempson noted that a report on new clubs would be submitted to the College Senate.

f) UNIVERSITY FACULTY SENATE. Dr. Arthur Galub gave an update on UFS activities. A resolution was passed condemning the Language Immersion Institute. The Legal Affairs Committee is studying the efforts by Hunter to abolish SEEK. A resolution was passed to require that any restructuring (consolidation, abolition, and mergers of either departments or disciplines) involves wide participation and an impact analysis statement.

Dr. Galub also reported that the UFS had filed a brief as friend of the court re: academic freedom of speech and first amendment rights in the Jeffries and Churchill cases. The UFS acted in support of the principles involved.

g) UNIVERSITY STUDENT SENATE. Mr. A. Lyles reported that the Council of Presidents had developed a schedule of meetings in opposition to the budget cuts.

6. ACTION ITEM - COLLEGE CALENDAR AND COMMON HOUR DISCUSSION.

Dean Cancienne was charged with conducting a survey about the club or common hour and the three calendar possibilities before the next meeting of the Senate.

7. NEW BUSINESS. Dr. Bernard Witlieb requested that the issue of amendments to the BCC College Governance Plan be placed on the agenda at the next meeting of the senate.

8. ADJOURNMENT. Dr. Lieblich entertained a motion to adjourn. The meeting was adjourned at 4:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Geraldine Pemberton Diallo
Secretary of the College Senate