Minutes of Meeting of October 19, 1995, Nichols Hall 104


Guests: C.H. Honda, J. Morales, R. Miller

1. This was a meeting of the Senate where Chancellor Ann Reynolds was invited to address the faculty, staff and Administration of the college. The chancellor was introduced by Prof. Lieblich. She addressed the following issues.

A. Financial exigency for CUNY Community Collegees
   She indicated that the courts had ruled for the University on the issue of maintaining financial exigency for CUNY Community Collegees.

B. Maintenance of Effort
   CUNY received 79 M for full maintenance of effort by the City of New York. Because of the maintenance of effort commitment, the University does not need to follow the plans for financial exigency.

Issues Affecting Students and Enrollment in CUNY

A) Financial aid cut led to 2% enrollment loss.
B) CUNY students find it easier to transfer to private colleges than to other units of CUNY.

To counteract these two trends, she proposed that University workers become more student friendly. She indicated that efforts must be made to recruit better students from public schools of New York City.

She suggested that BCC Senate review "How BCC can recruit and retain students. Some preliminary data was cited from the Lavin Report to indicate the University graduation rates are not as dismal as have been previously reported."
Home relief problems were cited as cause for some enrollment decreases. Negotiations have been attempted to have the University be included in the sites where home relief recipients may qualify for employment.

**SUNY Budget**

She reported that the Board of Trustees of the State University voted against an increase in the SUNY university budget request (V-6, N-10).

It was reported that the largest number of illegal aliens in NYC were from (1) Ireland and (2) Italy.

**Capital Budget**

Dr. Reynolds indicated that the University did well in the Capital Outlay Budget for this year. The largest items were for more of the graduate center to the Aitman’s site. She indicated that there were items in the budget for BCC.

**Academic Personal Practices**

A question was asked about the academic personnel practices policy for the promotion and reappointment of faculty. The question was about the value of and applicability of public service, to a candidate seeking a personnel action. The answer indicated that public service is acceptable for supporting an action if it relates to the goals of the college and university.

**Public Schools**

Some evidence is in that indicates CPR is working. The place where most work is needed is in the area of English.

The GED graduation rate is poor and must be improved.

The University must increase its efforts in the area of preparation of science teaching.

**BCC Presidential Search**

Requests were made of the Chancellor by the president of the student body and by faculty that she consider appointed Acting President Corbie to President of BCC.
The Chancellor explained that the BOT guidelines prohibit President Corbie for being a candidate in the upcoming search. She indicates that the "Gussie Kapner Rule" (Distinguished administrator for inside or outside the University may be selected by the chairman of the BOT and herself for a presidency without a search) was a new part of the guidelines and that she would forward to the BOT any persuasive recommendation in this regard from within the college.

Multiple Position Questions

In answer to questions about the abandonment of support for multiple position employment, she responded that faculty abuse of the privilege and the need for money to hire new faculty were the reasons for enforcing the policies.

Construction fund

5 M was transferred for the Construction fund to the Universitís operating budget.

At this point the Chancellor ended her visit.

Announcements

1. Dean Polowczyk - None
2. Dean Canclienne - Comments to clarify Master Plan Status
3. Dean Rempson - None
4. Prof. Squitieri - Announced UPS Conference on December 1, 1995

President's Report

In a meeting with Mr. Glickman. He confirmed that the presidential search is to be held this year.

Action Items

1. The senate approved, in principle, of a motion to require the display of ID cards.
2. Minutes of September 21, 1995 were approved by voice vote.

Town Hall Meeting (November 13, 1995) Schwendler 11:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.

For the discussion of the mission statement (Another Town Hall Meeting on November 14, 1995 - 4:30 p.m. to 6:30 p.m.)

Respectfully submitted by

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