

BRONX COMMUNITY COLLEGE  
CITY OF NEW YORK

MINUTES OF THE COLLEGE SENATE

May 18, 1978

4-6 P.M.

SCHWENDLER AUDITORIUM

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Absent:

Faculty: Profs: Autovino, Bindler, Clarke, Diehl, Ehrenpreis, Gean, Gilroy, Graham, Hobbs, Juechter, Lowenthal, Rosenfeld, Salgado, Schira, Simon, Spielberger, Stabile, Stergianopoulos, Stillerman, Strauss, Tyson.

Students: Bean, Brewster, Burgos, Capus, Hall, Hayden, Jimenez, Lewis, Mason, Mulzac, McEvady, O'Garro, Renera, Rodriguez, Staffors, Trinidad, Ward.

1. Meeting convened by Debrow Bunch.

11. Reports from Senate Committee:

A. Executive Committee - Debrow Bunch

Committee met to compose Senate agenda. Memos have been sent to the Chairpersons of Standing Committee asking them to submit year-end reports.

B. Academic Standing: Prof. Quinn

Committee met to discuss grading standards.

C. Committee on Budgets and Grants - No report

D. Curriculum Committee - Prof. Riley

The Committee has been debating credit requirements of courses for under prepared students, and approval of courses for students who qualify for RDL01.

E. Committee for Community Projects and Special Events - No report

F. Governance, Structure and Functions Committee - Prof. Buianouckas

A Subcommittee has been formed to deal with changes in the Governance plan. This Committee plans to meet during the summer and will make recommendations re: Governance plan. A written report will be distributed in September.

The Committee plans to discuss the number of terms a student member may serve on the Senate.

G. Committee on Space and Facilities - No report

H. Committee on Instruction - Dean Polowczyk

The Committee has met to discuss the institution of a Staff Development Program in the areas of:

1. Staff retraining (if necessary)
2. Teaching
3. Generation of new programs

I. Committee on Elections and Nominations - Prof. Miranda

1. Student elections have been held but the results may have to be revised in light of the report from the Governance Structure and Functions Committee.
2. Elections to CUNY Senate: Prof. Bullard, Prof. Gosselin.
3. Faculty-Staff ballot has been distributed.

J. Committee on Student Activities - Prof. Goldberg

The Committee has been reviewing the Student Government Constitution.

Prof. Jose Prince has been elected Secretary of the Committee.

K. Committee on Deans, Directors - Prof. Bullard

The Committee has been reviewing its goals and objectives. The President has requested the report by October 1, 1978. Faculty input will be welcomed by the Committee.

II. Report from the CUNY Senate: Prof Gosselin

A. Lobbying in favor of the Community College supplemental budget is now taking place.

B. Committee on Institutional Affairs: Prof. Rempson

The Committee will discuss guidelines for the "College Discovery Programs." Some recommendations that have been made are:

1. The program should be given independent status.
2. The head of the program should have status parallel to a department Chairperson.
3. Guidelines and responsibilities for Faculty as they pertain to SEEK has been distributed.

G. Student University Senate - No report

III. Resolution from Task Force on Goals and Objectives - Prof. Rempson

This resolution, which was a result of the Task Force report, was distributed to all Senators and will be acted upon at the next meeting.

Dean Polowczyk: There appeared to be a disparity between the goals and objectives of the College and how the Faculty perceived these goals and objectives.

IV. Report of the Governance, Structure and Functions Committee:

Motion: To accept the proposal of the Governance, Structure and Functions Committee that 40% of the constituted body shall be considered a Quorum.

Discussion: Dean Polowczyk felt that this may discourage Senator attendance.

Prof. Just stated that those who usually attend meetings do so out of interest and a 40% Quorum proposal will enable the Senate to carry on business. This would insure those Senators who attend action, rather than inaction.

Prof. Ryan: Felt that the Senate should "sting" people to fulfill their responsibilities, rather than reduce the Quorum.

Prof. Bullard: Pointed out that at present the Quorum is 44% because of vacant seats.

Vote: 29 for  
8 against  
5 abst.

Motion Carried

V. Action of Curriculum Committee - Prof. Riley

This action item was distributed at May 20th Senate meeting and will be acted upon today.

1. Motion: To vote on each item separately.

Vote: 10 for  
22 against  
9 abst.

Motion rejected

2. Motion: To vote on Item #1 separately.

Vote: 2 for  
35 against  
4 abst.

Motion rejected

3. Motion: To accept report as a whole Item.

Vote: 37 for  
2 against  
2 abst.

Motion Carried

Respectfully submitted,

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