

Bronx Community College
of the City University of New York

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College Senate

Minutes of the Meeting of 24 May 1984
Tech Two 228 - 4 P.M.

Present: R. Barnette, R. Bass, V. Bonelli, S. Cabrera, D. Cancienne, E. Cohen, D. Cooper, M. Cummins, R. Donovan, S. Ehrenpreis, B. Ettinger, J. Fahey, S. Forman, W. Frazier, H. Fuld, J. Graham, R. Gorman, R. Gourin, H. Hermo, A. Hirshfield, G. Lieblich, S. Miranda, S. O'Neill, M. O'Riordan, C. Polowczyk, J. Prince, J. Riley, O. Rodzianko, R. Salgado, A. Scimia, M. Spivak, J. Stuchin, H. Tyson, M. Walwyn, A. Wolk

Excused: Dr. Roscoe C. Brown, Jr., President, M. Rosenstock

Guests: C. Adams, M. Creta, M. Gonzalez, R. Kor, A. Levey, M. Wenzel

1. Committee Reports:

A. Executive Committee: Prof. H. Tyson reported that after meetings on Tuesday 8 May and Wednesday 9 May a constitution of the Student Government Association of BCC was finalized. Incorporating the work of students Cohen and Frazier, the Committee on Governance and Elections, the Senate, and the Executive Committee, it was approved by the latter acting for the Senate.

B. Instruction and Professional Development: Dr. J. Stuchin stated that the selection of possible candidates as "Outstanding Teachers" has been tabled for this semester. Likewise the review of the student evaluation forms will be taken up next semester.

C. Committee on Deans: President Brown has not yet informed this committee of the appointment of John Stevenson, who will commence duties on a one year contract on a HEO line on 15 July 1984, as Associate Dean of Academic Affairs.

2. University Faculty Senate: Prof. G. Riley reported (1) that the Articulation Committee passed a series of resolutions which would facilitate the transfer of our students to 4-year CUNY colleges and (2) most of the officers were re-elected to the Executive Committee for next year.

Dean Polowczyk noted that the Ford Foundation has funded a study to produce a program of articulation which will deal with transferability course by course. He also said that it has been found to be best to deal with the 4-year college furthest away geographically from the Community College.

3. Announcements:

A. VEA Grants: Dean Polowczyk reported that our cap of \$440,000 may be reduced by 10% but this is being protested.

B. Title III: Dr. Rempson reported significant progress.

(a) Medical Lab Technology is well on the way to revising curriculum and faculty skills updating, and is close to getting accreditation.

(b) Computer Assisted Instruction - CAI - R. Miller - Math area is completed.

3. Announcements (continued):

B. Title III (continued):

- (c) Counselling and Career Development - individual counselling for students using computers is completed.
- (d) Data Base Management - developing software - due for completion Fall 1985.
- (e) Data Processing - project is completed.
- (f) Accounting - experimental courses from which recommendations can be derived on reducing the drop-out rate in accounting is not yet completed.

For 1985 Dr. Rempson is optimistic because the funding authorities have commented favorably on our success. However, there may be a notable reduction of 20% - 40% across the board, across the country, but we are working to try to prevent this. A written report will be produced in the Fall of 1984.

- C. Referendum on Student Government Association Constitution: Dr. G. Lieblich reported that 165 faculty members including adjuncts were required to approve and only 115 faculty members voted. The student body approved the document in the referendum. Copies of the approved Constitution will be distributed to the Faculty Senators.

The Senate extended a vote of thanks to all those who participated in the production of this Constitution.

- D. Student Government Association Elections: Prof. Tyson, on behalf of the College Senate, congratulated the 15 students who were successful in the election and who will constitute the Student Government for the 1984-85 academic year. Profs. Tyson, Lieblich, and Sokolsky were invited by the existing Student Council officers to monitor these elections.

4. Action Items:

- A. Minutes of 26 April 1984 - the name of M. Spivak who was present is to be added. The minutes were accepted as corrected.
- B. Minutes of 3 May 1984 were accepted as submitted.
- C. Report of 04-26-84 from the Curriculum Committee on approved actions as of 3 April 1984 was approved by voice vote.

5. New Business:

- A. Role of Ombudsperson: A letter from the PSC dated 9 May 1984 signed by Norman Bindler and Walter Marrison had been circulated to all PSC members on the faculty. In response Dean Polowczyk distributed a draft motion in writing to those present. A lengthy discussion followed. Prof. S. Ehrenpreis wanted the matter ruled out of order because it was not on the agenda. Dr. Prince said that we may have been misled in not incorporating into our governance structure a method of solving certain problems, such as having a faculty ombudsman, or a Faculty Welfare Committee and he suggested appointing an ad hoc committee to look into this matter. The chairman remanded the issue to the Committee on Governance & Elections. Dean Kor read a definition

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5. New Business (continued)

- A. Role of Ombudsperson (continued): of "ombudsperson" from the new Columbia Encyclopedia 1975.

MOTION: To table the draft letter to Professors Bindler and Merrigan with the understanding that all unfinished business will be taken up by the Executive Committee of the Senate. Motion carried:

Pro 23 Con 6 Abstentions 2

- B. Election of Student Ombudsperson: A written nomination and a letter of acceptance from Dr. J. Juechter was submitted.

MOTION: To close nominations.

Carried: Pro 27 Con 0 Abstentions 1

The chairman pointed out prior to the balloting that each student vote is weighted as three, and each non-student vote is weighted as one. Election result:

Pro 30 Con 5 Abstentions 2

- C. Ombudsperson's Report: A report dated 14 May 1984 was received and distributed. In reply to a question from Prof. S. Ehrenpreis, Dr. J. Juechter said she had submitted a report to the President.
- D. Creation of a Student Health Standards Committee: This matter was referred to the Executive Committee for discussion.
- E. The chair was authorized to convey condolences to President Brown on the death of his sister.

6. Adjournment:

The meeting was adjourned at 5:55 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Maureen O'Riordan
Secretary

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