

BRONX COMMUNITY COLLEGE OF THE CITY UNIVERSITY OF NEW YORK

Minutes of the CURRICULUM COMMITTEE

Tuesday, February 8, 1972 - Kingsbridge Faculty Lounge - 2:30 P.M.

PRESENT: Michael Steuerman, Chairman, presiding  
F. Berger, N. Bindler, R. Fugazzi, J. Gosselin, J. Hamell,  
H. Harris, S. Heinemann, G. Hobbs, H. Jick, M. Kalin,  
M. Kanuck, A. Lande, A. Levey, R. Perez, M. Pollack,  
J. Skurdenis, J. Sweeney, E. Weiss, I. Zimmerman

GUESTS: P. Lalli

I. Approval of Minutes

The minutes of January 18 were approved with one correction:  
Page 38, paragraph IV, sentence amended to read, "Lehman  
College has agreed to grant major transfer credit for the  
proposed courses and City College agreed to grant elective  
credit."

The minutes of February 1 were approved.

II. Communications and Announcements

A memo dated December 23 from Dr. Prince to Prof. Steuerman  
requesting a change in the prerequisites for Physics 71  
(Astronomy and Space Science) from Physics 11 or Science 11 or  
permission of instructor to RDL 02 and Math 05 or their  
equivalent. 06

The Chairman distributed to Committee members a list of future  
agenda items and indicated that future agenda will reflect the  
chronological submission of completed proposal forms.

Letters of transferability will be requested from the departments  
before items appear on the agenda.

The Curriculum Committee unanimously endorsed these guidelines.

III. Physics Department New Course Proposal, "Introduction to  
Geophysics."

Postponed at the request of the department until March 7.

IV. Biology and Medical Laboratory Technology Department New Course  
Proposal, "Fundamentals of Ecology."

In response to questions, Prof. Kanuck indicated that the  
proposed course would not require any additional funds since  
the class size will conform with other Biology laboratory courses.

IV. (continued)

It was moved and seconded to approve the proposed course, "Fundamentals of Ecology."

Motion carried: Yes - 18      No - 0      Abs. - 0

Catalog Description: Introduction to the dynamics of the Eco-system, Population Development, Food Chains, Succession, Current Topics in Ecology. Lab and field work will utilize techniques useful in basic environmental and community analyses.

4 credits, 2 hour lecture, 4 hour lab. Several field trips to be arranged. Prerequisite: Bio 11

V. Modern Language Department New Course Proposals,

- A. "Elementary French Conversation I"
- B. "Elementary Italian Conversation I and II"
- C. "Advanced Spanish Conversation (Spanish 17)"

Professors McSweeney and Lalli responded to questions raised at the last meeting. It was indicated that the proposed conversation courses would satisfy the Bronx Community College Liberal Arts requirements.

Conversation courses (series language 15-16-17) are parallel to the traditional courses (language 11-12-13) and students who have completed a conversation course could not switch into a subsequent traditional course.

Students who speak a foreign language could take a placement exam for advanced standing.

It was suggested by Committee members that the catalog course descriptions for the proposed courses indicate that they are designed primarily for non-foreign language speaking students.

All agreed to postpone action on the proposals pending receipt of transferability letters from Senior Colleges.

VI. The meeting adjourned at 3:30 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

*Michael J. Kanuck*

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Secretary

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