

BRONX COMMUNITY COLLEGE OF THE CITY UNIVERSITY OF NEW YORK

Minutes of the CURRICULUM COMMITTEE

Tuesday, March 21, 1972 - Kingsbridge Faculty Lounge - 2:30 P.M.

PRESENT: Michael Steuerman, Chairman, presiding
F. Berger, N. Bindler, R. Bowmen, E. Feinberg, R. Fugazzi,
J. Furst, J. Gosselin, J. Hamell, H. Harris, S. Heinemann,
G. Hobbs, H. Jick, M. Kalin, M. Kanuck, J. Kolliner, A. Levey,
M. Pollack, M. Rosenstock, H. Stein, J. Sweeney, E. Weiss

GUESTS: A. Cosentino, L. Gottesman, G. Lebowitz, L. Lieberman

I. Approval of Minutes

The minutes of March 7 were approved with two additions:

1) Page 62, item VI -
Prior to the vote on the proposed, Preparatory History 01
course, there was a motion for a secret ballot.
Motion carried: Majority

2) Present - R. Bowmen

II. Communications and Announcements

Prof. Kolliner announced that the Subcommittee on the Evaluation
of the Revised Liberal Arts Curriculum met with Dr. Eagle and is
presently involved in designing a questionnaire which will be
used to solicit student and faculty evaluation of the revised
curriculum.

III. Computer Science

In light of the fact that the Curriculum Committee was to act on
the Computer Science Proposals today (see minutes of February 29)
it was moved and seconded that the Curriculum Committee postpone
action on these proposals pending receipt of an evaluation from
the City College Computer Science Department.

Motion carried: Yes - 14 No - 0 Abs. - 1

IV. Physics Department New Course Proposal, "Addition of Optional
Laboratory to Existing Astronomy Course"

In response to questions, Prof. Weiss indicated that no new
equipment will be required, and the existing prerequisites are
sufficient for the type of experiments that have been designed
for the new laboratory.

Discussion to continue at the next meeting.

V. English Department New Course Proposals,

- 1) "The Bible as Literature"
- 2) "Advanced Composition"

Re: "The Bible as Literature"

Dr. Lieberman described the purpose of the course as one which will develop an appreciation of the Literature of the Bible, Biblical Narratives and the problems of textual transmission as well as other difficulties involving ancient literature.

The proposed course will serve as a follow-up to the existing Eng 71 (A Survey of Post-Biblical Hebrew and Yiddish Literature) which has proved to be a very popular course with the students.

Letters of transferability have been received from City (major and elective credit), Brooklyn (major and elective credit), Baruch (elective credit) and Queens Colleges (major, elective, core credits).

The prerequisite will be English 13.

Discussion to continue at the next meeting.

Re: "Advanced Composition"

Prof. Gosselin described the proposal as a standard advanced English Composition course comparable to those offered at other institutions of CUNY. Although no letters of transferability have yet been received from the Senior Colleges, they are anticipated.

Maximum class size will remain standard (25-30 students) and the prerequisite will be English 13.

Discussion to continue at the next meeting.

VI. Speech Department New Course Proposals,

- 1) "Field Projects and Independent Study in Dramatic Arts"
- 2) "Principles of Directing"
- 3) "Theory of the Theatre"

Prof. Cosentino briefly described the proposed courses.

Re: "Field Projects and Independent Study in Dramatic Arts"

The content of the proposed course is presently offered on an informal basis through the Bronx Council on the Arts. B.C.C. students presently teach and coordinate dramatic art activities at local Youth Centers.

Re: "Principles of Directing"

The content of the proposed course is presently offered to B.C.C. students by way of opportunities in directing college plays. The proposal, if approved, will formalize the program and grant credit.

vi. (continued)

Re: "Theory of the Theatre"

The proposed course will deal with the social evolution and its effects on the theatre.

Discussion to begin at the next meeting.

VII. Mathematics Department Proposal, "Deletion of Credit for Math 11 and 16 in the Liberal Arts Transfer Curriculum"

Upon completion of today's agenda, the Curriculum Committee approved a request for consideration at this time of a Math department proposal that was scheduled for a future agenda.

Prof. Furst explained that students who presently take Math 11 and 16 do not receive automatic Math transfer credit into a Liberal Arts curriculum at Senior Colleges. These courses are not considered to be college caliber Math courses. It is therefore recommended that students in Liberal Arts be advised to take Math 05 and Math 06 in lieu of Math 11 and Math 16, which will better prepare them for college Math courses.

Students in Career programs will continue to receive Math credit for Math 11 and Math 16.

It was moved and seconded to call the question.

Motion carried: Yes - 16 No - 2 Abs. - 0

It was moved and seconded to approve and note that Math 11 and Math 16 will not be accepted for credit in the Liberal Arts curriculum.

Motion carried: Yes - 17 No - 0 Abs. - 1

VIII. The meeting adjourned at 4:05 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Michael J. Kanuck
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Michael J. Kanuck
Secretary

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