

Minutes of the CURRICULUM COMMITTEE

Tuesday, April 25, 1972 - Kingsbridge Faculty Lounge - 2:30 P.M.

PRESENT: Michael Steuerman, Chairman, presiding

F. Berger, N. Bindler, 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. Lande, A. Levey,
R. Perez, M. Pollack, M. Rosenstock, J. Sweeney, E. Weiss,
I. Zimmerman

GUEST: A. Paullay

I. Approval of Minutes

The minutes of April 18 were approved.

Motion carried: Yes - 12 No - 0 Abs. - 1

Re: Minutes of March 28 - Clarification

Page 64, line 3 - add "optional lab, 2 hours-2 credits" in order that sentence reads, "The course description remains the same as for Physics 71 (3 hours, 3 credits); Optional Lab - 2 hours, 1 credit."

II. Communications and Announcements

The Chairman announced the appointment of a Subcommittee (H. Harris, S. Heinemann, G. Hobbs, R. Perez) charged to:

1. Determine whether a procedure should be developed by the Curriculum Committee to evaluate approved courses. If the Subcommittee determines that a necessity exists:
 - A. When should an evaluation occur?
 - B. What courses will be evaluated, e.g. electives and/or required courses?
 - C. Determine who will evaluate courses, e.g. department, college, etc.
 - D. Develop plan of implementation for evaluation of courses.

It was requested that a progress report be made to the Curriculum Committee by May 9.

Dean Hobbs consented to act as the convener of the Subcommittee.

III. Modern Language Department New Course Proposal, "Elementary French Conversation II"

Prof. Sweeney described the proposed course as a sequel to French 15 (Conversation course) which may be used to partially fulfill the language requirements at Bronx Community College. It was emphasized that the proposed Conversation course will parallel the traditional French 12 course. Eventually it is hoped that students will have the opportunity to fulfill their language requirements by taking the "traditional" or the "conversation" courses. Letters of transferability for language credit of the proposed course have been received from senior colleges of CUNY.

Prof. Sweeney indicated that the proposed course would not require any additional funds since the class size will conform with other language courses.

Discussion to continue at the next meeting.

IV. Social Science Department New Course Proposals,

- A. "Urban Sociology"
- B. "History of Economic Thought"
- C. "Civil Rights Throughout the World"
- D. "Statistics for Behavioral Science"

Re: "Urban Sociology"

Prof. Harris indicated that the proposed course was developed by a faculty member and is a standard course in "Urban Sociology." Emphasis will be on the sociology of New York City.

A request was made of the department representative to furnish for the next meeting:

- A. Letters of transferability
- B. Course outline and bibliography
- C. Show the relationship of the proposed course to the existing courses at BCC in this area.

Re: "History of Economic Thought"

The representative described the course as being a sequel to the existing course, "Basic Principles of Economics." Prerequisite for the course will be Eco 21 or Eco 22 or permission of the instructor.

The proposed course is transferable as Economics credit to City College to fulfill major requirement.

Discussion to continue at the next meeting.

Re: "Statistics for Behavioral Science"

Questions that were raised by Committee members and which are expected to be answered at the next meeting include:

- A. What mathematical background is required for the proposed course?
- B. What type of statistics courses are offered at the senior colleges?
- C. Letters of transferability?

It was requested by the Committee that the Social Science and Mathematics departments exchange their Statistics course syllabus and enter into discussion in hope of preventing unnecessary proliferation of new Statistics courses.

Discussion to continue at next meeting.

Re: "Civil Rights Throughout the World"

Prof. Harris described the course as being a Comparative Civil Rights course. Prerequisite for the course is Political Science 21.

It was requested that Prof. Wolk be present for the discussion at the next meeting and a syllabus for the course be available at that time to Committee members.

V. Department of Health and Physical Education New Course Proposal, "Techniques of Dance II."

The proposed course is being offered in response to student requests and will provide an opportunity for students to develop advance dance techniques and compositional skills.

The prerequisites for the proposed course are PEA 41 and/or permission of the instructor. The proposed course is transferable for major credit to Lehman and Hunter Colleges.

Discussion to continue at the next meeting.

VI. The meeting adjourned at 4:00 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Michael J. Kanuck per DK
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Secretary