

BRONX COMMUNITY COLLEGE
of the City University of New York

MINUTES OF COMMITTEE ON INSTRUCTION - DEC. 21, 1971

Present: I. Berger, Chairman
B. Bates, M. Chang, R. Donovan, D. Frank, S. Gold,
N. Gore, N. Eagle, A. Hirshfield, A. Lessard, J. Ryan,
J. Sztacho and M. Wise.

The meeting began at 2:45 p.m. The minutes of the last meeting were approved with the following corrections:

- (i) Prof. Hirshfield's name should be spelt without a "c" throughout the minutes.
- (ii) "Codi and Neville" in the second paragraph should read "Cook and Neville".
- (iii) A sentence should be added at the end of the seventh paragraph: "Prof. Canty demonstrated the Slide-Sound-Synchronization Technique to the members present."

Dr. Berger, the Chairman, announced that one more meeting will be scheduled this semester - on January 4. Tentatively, Prof. Krieger will be the guest speaker.

The February meeting will be held on the 15th.

The Chairman then distributed copies of the Cook and Neville report on evaluating teaching effectiveness.

Next, Dr. Eagle reported that he has been working with a small group of administrative people called the "Advisory Board on Research" but now he wishes to invite other knowledgeable people to his group to decide on the kind of research that should be undertaken. Commenting on his recent study of drop-outs at B.C.C. Dr. Eagle said that he found that lack of money was most frequently given as the reason for dropping out.

As one solution, Prof. Hirshfield suggested the tri-semester system in which a student stops studying for three months or half a year and work during that time.

Dr. Berger said that he will call on Dr. Eagle to make a progress report from time to time.

Dean Donovan reported that there was nothing new in the Subcommittee on Liaison with the Task Force on Governance. However, the Humanistic Center is going to have another workshop on the theme of "Myself as Teacher, Myself as Learner" on Jan. 23-28, this time consisting of 15 faculty members and 15 students.

Prof. Hirshfield announced that the next Subcommittee meeting on Questionnaire and Accountability will be on Feb. 8. But on Jan. 4, members of that Subcommittee will give a report.

Prof. Gore reported that shelf space has been provided in the Library for Faculty Material and urged members to announce this to their departments and requested appropriate material for the files.

From 3:30 to 4 p.m. Prof. S. Lawrence gave an interesting talk on "Classroom Instruction and Extra Curricular Activities" which was essentially the experience of the I.E.E.E. Club. Other fields of study can learn from this example, concluded Prof. Lawrence.

Respectfully submitted,

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