

BRONX COMMUNITY COLLEGE
of the City University of New York

MINUTES OF COMMITTEE ON INSTRUCTION - MAY 2, 1972

Present: I. Berger, Chairman
D. Canty, M. Chang, S. Fawcett, D. Frank, S. Gold, N. Gore,
R. Gorman, A. Hirshfield, R. Kor, A. Lessard, I. Lewis,
J. Ryan, E.D. Santa Rita, Jr., M. Wise, and S. Zeidenstein

The Chairman opened the meeting at 2:45 p.m. and passed a circular entitled "PSC Moves to Stop Illegal Evaluations" inquiring whether members of the Committee had received such a circular in their mail and what they thought of its contents. Prof. Hirshfield reported that the Davis Questionnaire has already been given out to the faculty. It was pointed out that the first year evaluations are probably not very important. Some members expressed the opinion that use of the Social Security Number may be an invasion of privacy. Professor Hirshfield also reported that 97 answers were received from the faculty out of a possible 500 when the faculty was polled for comments on the Davis Questionnaire.

The subject of integrating a community service component into existing courses was discussed. Several departments have such courses. Some are doing field work, although this should be distinguished from the community service idea.

Two editorials by two students - one in "The Communicator" and another in "The Twilight Zone" were cited by Dr. Berger as two opposing views on the problem of community service for credit.

Discussion on a new time for next semester's meetings resulted in a tentative agreement to schedule the Instruction Committee meetings on Mondays from 2:30 - 4 p.m. with the first meeting on September 25, during which time elections for officers will be held.

From 3:30 to 4:15 p.m. Professors S. Fawcett and S. Zeidenstein gave presentations on "The Women's Liberation Movement". They talked about their personal experience and cited writings that showed the existence of Sexism in College. A question-and-answer period followed.

The Chairman closed the meeting at 4:15 p.m. with the following remark: "There is no better way to close the final meeting of the school year than this event. Our guest speakers have raised the awareness of our consciousness of complexity. We are now more sensitive to the problems of better educational instruction and their solutions."

Respectfully submitted,

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Secretary

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