



DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SCIENCES

MINUTES OF INSTRUCTION COMMITTEE MEETING, TUESDAY, JAN. 13, 1976

Present; I. Berger, Chairman
M. Chang, V. Foster, W. Frederickson, D. Hadgis, A. Lessard,
E. Bassar, M. Pollack, R. Smith, W. Sokolsky and M. Wise (who
should be listed as present during the meeting of Dec. 16, also.)

Dr. Berger called the meeting to order at 3:45 p.m. He announced that the next meeting will be held on March 2 unless he notifies us to the contrary.

Next, Dr. Berger distributed copies of an article from Newsweek Magazine (Dec. 8, 1975) on "Why Johnny Can't Write."

Exchange of information during our Committee meetings was most useful and stimulating, continued Dr. Berger, as was shown in our last meeting on the subject of large group instruction.

From 4 p.m. on, members of the Committee involved themselves in free and animated discussions on various subjects, such as grading standards, the student questionnaire and the coming results and their validity, the history and rationale for the use of a questionnaire, the pros and cons of deducting grades from student exams in subject areas other than English for wrong spelling and grammar.

The meeting adjourned at 5 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

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