

MINUTES OF INSTRUCTION COMMITTEE MEETING, TUESDAY, MARCH 4, 1978

Present: I. Berger, Chairman
V. Capers, M. Chang, J. Davis, F. Donnangelo, D. McCulloch,
R. Miller, C. Polowczyk, A. Pomerantz, S. Ritterman, I. Ronson,
A. Simon, W. Sokolsky and M. Wise.

Dr. Berger made the following opening comments.

- (i) The article in Saturday Review on "How To Kill A College" caused some comments and controversy among some members of the faculty and we will discuss it after all had a chance to read it.
- (ii) Student representatives had been invited to come to our meetings, but our students were busy and spreading themselves thin.
- (iii) Another article "Limiting Students: Remedial Writing and the Death of Open Admissions" by J. Yondelman, a former CETA person at BCC, now at the Fashion Institute of Technology, was brought to the attention of the Committee by Dr. Berger. The writer criticized the "core curriculum" idea as "chaining," said Dr. Berger.

At 3:45 p.m. Dr. Berger read the draft of a memo he planned to send out to the faculty to ask for recommendations on class size. The Chairman worked with the committee members present at the meeting on a format for the polling material which will be distributed to all the Departments through their representatives with an accompanying letter from Dr. Berger. It was then moved, seconded and unanimously passed that the Departmental representatives will conduct and expedite this survey.

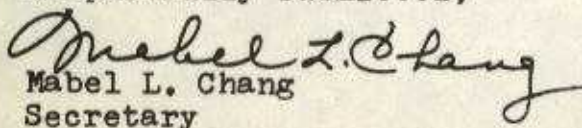
Lastly it was moved, seconded and unanimously approved that further discussion on possible variations on the Tyson-Shopkow new grading system be placed on the agenda of the next meeting.

Before the meeting adjourned at 5 p.m. it was moved and seconded that the last three sets of minutes, namely:

- (i) Minutes of Feb. 14, 1978
- (ii) Minutes of Feb. 21, 1978
- (iii) Minutes of Mar. 7, 1978

be approved as distributed with the addition of the following sentence at the end of the March 7 minutes: "After balloting, the possible inclusion of minuses and A+ in the grading system was discussed; further discussion will be postponed until Professors Tyson and Shopkow could be present."

Respectfully submitted,


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