

BRONX COMMUNITY COLLEGE  
of the City University of New York

Minutes of the Meeting of February 16, 1984

COMMITTEE ON INSTRUCTION AND PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT

PRESENT: Professor A. Pomerantz, Chairperson; Professors Alpert, Anderson, Forman, Hadgis, McCulloch, Sokolsky, Stuchin, Weiman, Whitcomb, Wise

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Professor Pomerantz distributed literature about national recognition of outstanding professors which is being conducted by the Council for Advancement in Support of Education (CASE).

James DeMetro, Editor of the Voice, has advised that he is considering articles which deal with instruction for the Op Ed page.

A subcommittee of the Committee on Instruction will be among those who will participate in the ISR grant if the proposal is funded.

MINUTES

The Minutes of the meeting of December 13, 1983, were accepted with the following corrections:

On page 2 under Subcommittee Reports, Item 2 should read: "A possible item..." instead of "A possibility..."

On page 1, under Announcements, Item 2, fourth line, the comma after "computers" should be removed.

SUBCOMMITTEE PROGRESS REPORTS

Committee on Faculty Awards

A discussion took place about whether to have an award for one outstanding teacher or whether there should be one outstanding teacher chosen from each of the three Divisions. Professor Sokolsky, Chairman of the Subcommittee, said that if it were done by Division that each Division should set up its own criteria. He read a letter he had prepared, outlining different ways the winners could be recognized. It was reported that Professor Irwin Berger had suggested that all nominees might be invited to a reception for the three who were chosen.

Subcommittee on new BCC Technology

Diana Hadgis, Chairman of the Subcommittee, reported on her meeting with Susan Forman and Lou Alpert. It was decided to have a half day computer demonstration for the whole faculty, to which students and possibly faculty from other colleges would be invited. It was the suggestion of the subcommittee that contact could be made with some of the companies that produce personal computers (Apple, IBM, Radio Shack). Each company could send a representative who would do a demonstration of what is possible on its computers and do it in such a way that a seated audience could see and compare what may be done. Such a demonstration should be well attended, and any computer understanding obtained would be valuable in teaching.

Prof. Hadgis said that her subcommittee was planning the demonstration on a Thursday from 12 to 2, with the possibility of extending it another hour for those who do not have classes. The first choice of date is April 5. This depends on the College calendar. A Thursday when no Department or Senate meetings are scheduled will be chosen by the subcommittee.

Professor Anderson suggested that the afternoon session could be extended to 5 p.m., giving people an opportunity to visit the various labs on campus. Prof. Forman added that after the general session, those who are free can drop by to visit various labs on campus while suppliers can have continuing demonstrations.

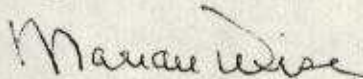
Prof. Pomerantz mentioned that Peter Hoberman is coordinator of computer activities on campus and that he would be a resource person.

Professors Anderson and Whitcomb submitted a list of proposed questions to be answered in the information bulletin.

The meeting was adjourned at 4:30 p.m.

The next meeting will be on Thursday, March 1, at 3 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Marian Wise  
Secretary Pro Tem