

BRONX COMMUNITY COLLEGE
CITY UNIVERSITY OF NEW YORK

COMMITTEE ON INSTRUCTION AND PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT

MINUTES
April 19, 1990

Present: A. Pomerantz, Chairperson; L. Alpert; M. Cummins; A. Figueroa;
A. Fuller; D. LaBlanc; H. Shenkman; W. Sokolsky
Excused: A. Diehl; A. Smith

I. The minutes of March 22, 1990 were accepted as presented.

II. Announcements and Reports:

- A. Professor Sokolsky circulated fliers announcing the April 26 Intellectual Seminar. Prof. Gil Riley will speak on the chemical origins of life.
- B. Prof. LaBlanc reported that her sub committee has been receiving information for the revised Faculty Handbook and that the subcommittee will continue to gather information including input from the faculty about what they would like in the Handbook.
- C. Prof. Pomerantz called attention to the 1990 Colloquia series on New Directions in Teaching sponsored by the Instructional Resource Center to be held at Baruch College on April 20 (Teaching ESL Students in College Courses); April 27 (Teaching Undergraduate Mathematics); May 4 (Teaching Disabled Students); and at John Jay on May 11 (Freshmen Writers).
- D. Prof. Squitieri reported that Bronx Community College has been chosen as one of the six sites for a new grant overseen nationally by Brandeis University for beginning college students who have a career orientation. Called "On Higher Ground," it is modelled on the Career Beginnings Program, which has involved high school students. It will begin with 30 students and involve the business community. The program will also involve mentoring, and faculty who are interested in being mentors should contact Professor Squitieri.

- E. Prof. Alpert reported that we may be the first community college in the nation to have a Peace Corps Program. Barbara DeCastro Zartman, Deputy Director the Peace Corps, will be on campus next week to discuss the possibility of a preparatory program with President Brown. She has expressed interest in involving more minority people in Peace Corps projects.
- F. Dean Fuller reported that she and Prof. Cummins have completed their perusal of final exams and the report will be ready for distribution at the next chairpersons' meeting.
- G. Prof. Cummins reported that notices of the next Writing Across the Curriculum Workshop, June 4 and 5, are being sent to all faculty members this coming week.
- H. Prof. Pomerantz said the Gerald Lieblich spoke at the Senate of the difficulty of getting volunteers to run for committees including the Committee on Instruction and colleagues should be urged to run.
- I. In response to Dr. Stuchin-Paprin's request to the Committee that the underused fourth floor faculty lounge be reallocated to her department, the Committee decided to find out what facility the faculty would like to use as a lounge by including the subject on the Faculty Questionnaire.
- J. Prof. Pomerantz said that he had received good response to all the subjects on the questionnaire about faculty workshops next year. He has already spoken to Prof. David Blot about a workshop on collaborative learning.
- K. The Council for Advancement and Support of Education, a Washington based organization, gives a Professor of the year award. A subcommittee of Profs. Shenkman, Sokolsky and Figueroa will propose three professors from BCC to our administration which will chose one name to submit.

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

Respectfully submitted,

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