

BRONX COMMUNITY COLLEGE
of the City University of New York

COLLEGE SENATE

Minutes of the Meeting, 18 December 1986, Tech Two 228, 4 PM.

Present: R. Adewumi, J. Bacote, V. Bonelli, D. Cancienne,
J. Castle, C. Daley, W. Duncan, B. Ettinger,
S. Forman, M. Glass, R. Gourin, F. Haase,
H. Hermo, W. LaSanta, G. Lieblich, J. Magaziner,
S. Miranda, A. Nunez, C. Polowczyk, C. Rigby,
M. Rosenstock, R. Salgado, L. Schlam, S. Schwartz,
L. Squitieri, M. Walwyn, H. Tyson presiding.

Excused: Dr. Roscoe C. Brown, Jr.
Prof. Dorothy Darby
Mr. Harvey Erdsneker
Dr. Patricia Lanier
Dr. Marie-Louise Matthew
Dr. Joyce Patterson
Ms. Angie Scimia

Guests: R. Braxton, A. Fuller, C. Williams

1. Reports From Standing Committees of the Senate:

A. Executive Committee

No report.

B. Governance and Elections

Prof. Lieblich reported that the forthcoming UFS elections have been delayed by lack of funds for forms. New amendments to the Governance Plan and to the SGA constitution will be voted on in the Spring of 1987. Preparations for Student Government elections are underway.

C. Academic Standing

Prof. Tyson reported that students have complained about the difficulty of interpreting the codes on Grade Reports.

D. Curriculum

Dr. Ryan submitted copies of a written report, dated 15 Dec. 1986, "Curriculum Committee Action Through the Fall Semester, 1986."

E. Student Activities

No report.

F. Instruction and Professional Development

Prof. Tyson read an announcement of workshops planned by the Committee.

Dr. Forman announced a workshop on the use of computers, to be held on 5 February 1987; flyers have been distributed on campus.

2. Report From the University Faculty Senate

Prof. Tyson read an excerpt from a report (18 November) on the format of the UFS Minutes, stating that alterations were permissible prior to publication.

3. Report From the University Student Senate

Prof. Tyson read a memo from the SGA, stating that Ms. Vera Woodruff had been elected to replace Ms. Marilyn Belle.

Mr. LaSanta reported that no actions were taken at the meeting of 6 December as the USS did not achieve a quorum.

4. Title III Report

Dr. Bonelli reported on the use of visual media in large History classes under Activity 7 B. Illustrations are presented in a one-hour general lecture (auditorium) of the current topic for all students of History 10. Recitation follows, in which topics can be explored in depth. The selection and production of illustrations is an on-going process. The new History 20 course will use the same format.

Prof. Canty cited the need for extensive repairs to the electrical system of Schwendler Auditorium and made a plea for the video projection equipment needed for large-group instruction.

5. Action Items:

A. Curriculum Committee Actions

The Senate received the report (15 December) of actions taken at the meeting of 2 December 1986. Questions were raised about the wording of statements in the report. The motion to return the report to the Curriculum Committee for clarification was approved by voice vote.

B. Ombudsperson's Report

The Senate received the written and verbal reports of

the activities of Dr. Juechter's Office for the Fall of 1986.

6. Old Business

A. Dean Polowczyk reported progress toward the publication of Dr. Squitieri's Dictionary of BCC/CUNY Acronyms.

7. New Business

A. Audio Visual Technology Curriculum

Admissions to the program have been stopped by the administration; two of the three people responsible for the operation of the program have not been re-appointed.

Dr. Rosenstock stated that the issues of costs, enrollment and the future of the program will be discussed with the administration.

Prof. Tyson pointed out that an accredited curriculum cannot be terminated unilaterally without consultation with the accrediting agency.

Mr. Braxton (student) expressed his dissatisfaction with having been refused a meeting with President Brown, although he did meet with Dean Polowczyk. He feared that changes in the course offerings would endanger his completion of the program.

Mr. Williams (student) stated that he expected the reduction in staff to diminish the quality of instruction. He also expressed concern about continuing his studies at BCC.

Prof. Canty, Director of Audio-visual Services, stated that his department would be unable to maintain the standards of its services and its training of the 87 students in the curriculum. He protested the placing of the program on hold without evaluation.

Dean Polowczyk announced that the A. V. Program would be evaluated in the spring of 1987 by outside individuals. He expressed the opinion that those who had not been re-appointed could be reinstated should the evaluation prove favorable.

8. Announcements:

A. Dean Polowczyk

The Dean announced that Tech Two 228 will become the

cafeteria of the University Heights High School.

He announced that the figure for Early Registration is below that of last year's by 100. Steps have been taken to facilitate the process.

B. Dean Miranda

The Dean announced that recruitment efforts have been intensified.

C. Dean Cancienne

The Dean announced that the transfer of personnel from Tech Two into Silver Hall will begin on 19 January 1987.

D. Dr. Samuel Schwartz

Dr. Schwartz thanked the college community for the success of the blood donations drive.

9. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 6:02 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

F. Haase, Secretary