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BRONX COMMUNITY COLLEGE
of The City University of New York

MINUTES OF THE FACULTY COUNCIL MEETING - 3/11/65

PRESENT: Dr. Morris Meister, presiding; Deans Tauber and Silverman; Professors Atlas, Beringause, Caffrey, Chalapis, Corbman, D'Andrea, Furst, Griffin, Hirsch, Joseph, Just, Lipsey, Mandelbaum, May, McCulloch, McGrath, McLaughlin, Minkin, Manticone, Prince, Reynolds, Rosenstock, White; Mr. Berman, Mr. Casais, Mr. Finnegan, Miss Keatinge, Miss Monat, Mr. Motola, Miss Stringham, Mr. Wong.

GUESTS: Professors Handel, Robbins, Sztacho, Tyson

1. The minutes of the meeting of February 11, 1965 should be corrected as follows: In item II, section C, last line, "174 Street" should be replaced by "184 Street."

The minutes were accepted as corrected.

II. Communications and Announcements

A. President Meister

1. In accordance with a motion passed at the last Faculty Council meeting, Dr. Meister presented the following petition to the Bronx Community College Committee of the Board of Higher Education and to the Administrative Council:

"Bronx Community College should petition the Board of Higher Education to take steps to have the budget director give each member of the Faculty of the City University Colleges the right to choose the medical plan desired, on the same basis as the policemen and firemen."

The Administrative Council voted unanimously to adopt the essence of the petition, to be implemented by the Chancellor's Office.

2. Dr. Meister is exerting as much pressure as possible on the Bureau of the Budget to allocate funds for the hiring of 73 more members of the faculty. Although the budget decision may not be known for some time, departmental P&B committees are urged to begin preparing for recruitment.

3. In May each of the following departments will conduct an election for Chairman, and departmental P&B committee, to hold office for three years: Biology, English, Health Education, Mathematics, Modern Languages, and Physics. Everyone appointed to the faculty on an annual line is eligible to vote.

The timing of elections of P & B committees in other departments, and their terms of office, remain to be decided.

B. Dean Tauber

1. Dr. Tauber invited the Faculty to the concert to be given by the Bronx Community College Orchestra on the evening of March 12. The future of the joint Bronx Community College - Community Orchestra is being explored.

2. The Faculty will receive invitations from the Mayor's office to the Dedication of the Nursing Center, March 24, and all are invited. Classes will be suspended at the Nursing Center and in the hospital clinic areas that morning, but will continue at the remainder of the college.

3. The Dean expressed his appreciation to the faculty for help in preparing the Progress Report for the Middle States Association, submitted as planned.

4. Dean Tauber reported that he had visited another college as an accreditation team member, and came back prouder than ever of B. C. C.

C. Dean Silverman

1. Although budget decisions will not be known immediately, we are proceeding on the assumption that funds will be available to make the projected size of student body possible.

2. On the Faculty Conference day, it is hoped that part-time faculty will meet with the rest of the faculty, at least at departmental meetings.

3. Dr. Silverman, assisting the Faculty Workload Committee, has prepared an analysis of total program allowances at the college.

4. Plans for the new campus include letting of contracts by June, 1967, with first occupancy projected for early 1969.

III. Unfinished Business - none

IV. Committee Reports

A. Faculty Welfare Committee Report - Professor May

1. New life insurance policies are being offered by the T. I. A. A. at drastically reduced rates. Professor May will be glad to talk with anyone interested.

2. Queensborough Community College has purchased a contract from the T. I. A. A. for group life insurance. Professor May will distribute to the faculty descriptive literature and assess the interest of the B. C. C. faculty.

3. Professor May presented the following resolution:

"Resolved, That the Faculty of B. C. C. petition the Board of Higher Education to devise and support a plan for parity of salary between the community colleges of the City University and the senior colleges."

It was pointed out during the discussion on the resolution that, although parity of salary had been projected by the Master Plan, little success could be expected from a petition unless a specific plan, endorsed by the other community colleges in the City University, were presented to the Board of Higher Education. One of the major obstacles to writing a plan was the difficulty inherent in the concept of equivalencies. On a motion by Professor Just, amended by Dean Silverman, the Council voted to

ask the Welfare Committee to revise its resolution. The new resolution is to include a plan formulated in consultation with the other community colleges.

B. Curriculum - Dr. Monticone

Dr. Monticone reported that the Curriculum Committee had voted for a new curriculum, called the Business Transfer Program, for students planning a teaching career in Secretarial Studies at the secondary level. Dr. White moved that the Faculty Council approve the new curriculum. He accepted the amendment offered by Dr. Tauber that Business Transfer students who present high school Hebrew, Italian, or Latin should have the same privileges as Liberal Arts students with respect to their choice of language courses, i. e., they should be permitted to continue their high school language at another college, if they so desire. The amended motion was passed by a vote of 22 to 4 with 7 abstentions.

V. The meeting was adjourned at 2 P. M.

The next meeting will be held on April 8, 1965.

Respectfully submitted,

Sally Lipsey
Secretary

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