

MINUTES
of
THE CURRICULUM COMMITTEE
of
BRONX COMMUNITY COLLEGE
of the City University of New York

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Stevenson Hall Lounge
3:25 P. M.

1. Call To Order. The meeting was called to order by Chairperson, Dr. James Ryan, at 3:25 P. M.
2. Attendance.
 - a. Delegates. A. Baskind, D. Bullard, E. Christian, B. Effinger, J. Hamell, H. Harris, G. Hobbs, H. Jick, J. Juechter, M. Kanuck, J. Kolliner, A. Levy, H. Rand, B. Reshen, G. Riley, J. Ryan, H. Skinner, L. Storer, J. Sweeney, C. Tkaczyk, E. Weiss, B. Witlieb, R. Zodda.
 - b. Designee of Dean of Administration. C. Connington.
 - c. Guests. J. Bloom, C. Smith, M. Stern
3. Minutes. The minutes of November 18, 1975 (No. 4) were approved with corrections:
 - a. In item 5, line 7, the word "request" should be "requests."
 - b. J. Hamell was in attendance.
4. Correspondence.
 - a. The substance of item 5 of Vol. 75-76 No. 4 has been reported to the registrar by the chairperson.
 - b. The committee received confirmation of the membership of C. Tkaczyk.
 - c. The committee received a request from Prof. H. Skinner to place on this week's agenda a new course proposal (African-Caribbean and Black Dance Forms). It became item seven on this week's agenda.
 - d. Request was made by Dr. Ryan to add to the agenda the discussion of a motion submitted by Professor Eisenberg. It became item eight on this week's agenda.
5. Revision of Procedures Relative to Letters of Transferability in Support of New Course Proposals. The following motions were proposed by Prof. J. Kolliner:
 1. A. That all proposals for new courses presented to the Curriculum Committee for approval include evidence of the status of that course with respect to its transferability for major and/or core credit from the appropriate CUNY senior colleges.

1. B. In the event that the Department proposing the course intends that it should be transferable only for elective credit, a statement to that effect should accompany the proposal and no evidence of transferability (as set forth above) is required.

Approved: Yes 18 No 0 Abst. 0

2. In the event that the previous motion is adopted by the Committee, the letter of transferability form, adopted October 31, 1972, should be revised to delete reference to transferability for elective credit.

Approved: Yes 18 No 0 Abst. 0

6. New Course Proposal: International Folk and American Square Dance (Health and Physical Education)

Professors Bloom, Smith and Stern were present to aid the committee in evaluating this proposal. Among the questions asked of the department was "How will the course benefit our students?" The responses from several members of the department indicated that the course would:

- a. build success attitudes.
- b. aid students in developing positive attitudes about themselves by learning and practicing movement. Support for the connection between movement and thought was presented.
- c. present a cultural and sociological cognitive component.

Action is possible next time.

7. Course Revision: Mathematics 05 and Mathematics 06 (Mathematics Department)

Questions were presented to the representative from the Mathematics Department. Full discussion is scheduled for the next meeting.

8. New Course Proposal: Astronomy 2 (Physics Department)

Carried over for the next meeting.

9. New Course Proposal: African, Caribbean and Black Dance Forms.

Carried over for the next meeting.

10. Resolution from the History Department: (see attachment).

This resolution and the stimulus for it were discussed at length. Some questions raised were:

1. What is the role of the Curriculum Committee of the college in making decisions about
 - a. time constraints on students for completion of courses?
 - b. the number of credits carried by students?
 - c. the number of credits completed by students?

- d. establishing standards in any course or curriculum in the college?
 - e. evaluation of the standards in any course or curriculum in the college?
2. What are the normal procedures for arriving at recommendations for policy changes at the college?
 3. What should be done by agencies of the college to guarantee faculty participation in the formulation of new academic and curricula policies?

Pertinent to this discussion the following motion was made:

Dean R. Donovan is directed to submit any policy recommendations, with regard to exit standards for remediation courses, to the curriculum committee prior to submitting them to the Board of Higher Education.

Yes 4

After the above affirmative vote was taken, an amendment to the motion was made and adopted so that the word "directed" is changed to "requested." The motion was defeated.

Yes 3 No. 10 Abst. 5

A new vote on the original motion was taken and the motion was defeated.

Yes 4 No 14 Abst. 2

11. Motion to Change Regular Meeting Time: A motion was made to change the meeting time from 3:15 P.M. to 4:15 P.M. The motion was defeated.

Yes 4 No 10 Abst. 5

The meeting was adjourned at 5:00 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Joseph G. Riley
Joseph G. Riley, Secretary