BRONX COMMUNITY COLLEGE
of the City University of New York

College Senate

Thursday - December 8, 1977    Schwendler Aud. 4-6 p.m.

I. The meeting was convened at 4:10 p.m. by Chairperson, Dr. Carl Polowczyk

II. Committee Reports:
   A. Curriculum Committee - Dr. Ryan
      Committee is in recess until January. Several actions on Math Department
      prerequisites are in process and actions will be reported at a subsequent
      meeting of the Senate.
   
   B. Committee on Academic Standing - Dr. Polowczyk
      A Sub-Committee on instant appeals has been established to enable more
      students to enroll in subsequent semesters.
   
   C. Space and Facilities - Prof. Ehrenpreis -
      Nothing to report at this time.

      The Chairperson announced that Prof. Rochelle Morowitz, the secretary
      was absent because of a family medical emergency and that Prof. Herb Tyson
      was requested to act as secretary pro tem.
   
   D. CUNY Senate Report, Prof. Ehrenpreis.
      Next meeting is to be held next week. A report will follow.
   
   E. Contract Status - No report

III. Other Announcements - Dr. Brown has asked Dr. Polowczyk to become the
      Dean of Academic Affairs and he has accepted. Dr. Polowczyk is therefore
      offering his resignation to become effective on February 1st, 1978. The
      1st Vice-Chairperson, Debro Bunch, will assume the Chairpersonship of
      the Senate on that date. If he is unable to assume this office there is an
      established succession which can be invoked.

      Prof, Steuerman will become the Dean of Student Development. Dr. Cancienne
      will become the Dean of Administration. Dean Horn will become an Assistant
      to the Dean of Academic Affairs. Prof. Miranda will also become an Assistant
      to the Dean of Academic Affairs. Dr. Hobbs will become the Associate Dean
      of Student Development. Dean Kalin would no longer hold the position of
      Assistant Dean of Student Development.
III. Committee Reports (con't)

F. Committee on Governance Structure and Functions

Prof. Furst, speaking for Chairperson Prof. Buianouckas, stated the following with respect to the Committee on Community Affairs and Special Events: "The Committee on Governance Structures and Functions interprets the words 'special events' under Section I-1-a of the College Governance Plan, page 57 of the Faculty Handbook, as meaning: The Committee on Community Projects and Special Events shall make programmatic recommendations regarding college-wide cultural programs and special events."

Dr. Polowczyk added further comments on the scope and structure of this committee. The Senate will act on any recommendations made by the committees.

IV. Minutes of Senate Meeting of November 10, 1977 Corrections.

A. p. 4 top Prof. "Graham" needs an "e".

B. p. 5 Item No. 4. No action was recorded. Matters was actually referred to Committee on Governance Structure and Functions.

C. p. 2 Item III N, Middle States Report "Incorporated" should be changed to "be considered for incorporation"

D. p. 1 III C. change "support" to "discuss".

E. p. 1 III C. p 4 "Motion" References to the Committee on Governance Structure and Function should be changed to read "Governance Structure and Functions."

Minutes were approved as corrected.

V. Action Items

Committee on Community Affairs and Special Events. Recommendation on Annual Report to the Senate of the Committee as Community Projects and Special Events regarding faculty participation in community affairs as a criteria for evaluation, Dr. Ray indicated that Dr. Cancienne had reviewed this statement and found it not in conflict with any existing labor agreements or by-laws. Prof. Ehrenpreis stated that this was a violation of academic freedom. He proposed that item 4 regarding "the community," be removed from the recommendations. It was noted by Dr. Polowczyk that this statement might be in conflict with the BHE Personnel Practice Policies. Motion by Dr. Rempson, Seconded by Dr. Just to strike item 4.

Prof. Kolliner called for the preparation of a "prioritised list" before action can be taken.

Prof. Ehrenpreis stated that the term Community College does not imply community. service in the way it is contained in the recommendation. He indicated that the term "community" connotes the method of financing, and implies merely a 2 year-junior college.
Dr. Auser noted the special nature of the community which Bronx Community serves.

The recommendation was by vote referred back to the Committee on Governance Structure and Functions.

Prof. Gorman asked whether the consideration of the appointment of the new deans was referred to the Committee on Deans and Directors.

Dr. Polowczyk, the chairperson of this committee, related the chronology of events concerning this committee.

Prof. Ehrenpreis elaborated on the transactions involving Brown's reorganization plans. Prior consultation with the committee was suggested to the President. The President stated that the Committee on Deans and Directors would participate in the evaluation of deans after six months and again in one year prior to their reappointment. This committee had no objection to the appointments made, but would not endorse these appointments.

VI. Dr. Rempson reported on the CUNY Faculty Senate regarding guidelines for SEEK and CD. There are about four critical issues.

1. Who should offer developmental or compensatory programs, SEEK directors or traditional departments.

2. Who should control the funds, SEEK directors, or the presidents of the colleges?

3. Should mathematics be in the mathematics department or in the SEEK program?

4. How much authority should SEEK directors have on the hiring of personnel? He stated that BCC has no means of considering these issues and suggested that a report be presented to the Senate for its consideration.

VII. Ms. Peggy Ogarro, Chairperson of the Student Government, stated that the lack of student attendance at this meeting was due to erroneous information transmitted to students indicating that the Senate would not meet this afternoon.

VIII. Prof. Jose Prince, secretary of the Committee on Student Activities, made available to the Senate the following 3 documents: Application for Wine and/or Beer Consumption and/or Sale Permit, The minutes of the meeting of November 3, 1977 The Committee on Student Activities, and Qualifications and Responsibilities of Faculty Advisors to Student Organizations.

IX. The meeting was adjourned at 5:10 p.m.

Respectfully submitted

Herbert Tyson
Secretary Pro tem