MINUTES OF INSTRUCTION COMMITTEE MEETING, TUES. MAR. 28, 1978

Present: I. Berger, Chairman
V. Capers, N. Chang, J. Davis, F. Donnangelo, D. Frank, D. Hadgis,
R. Miller, E. Passer, S. Ritterman, J. Ronson, A. Simon, W. Sokolsky,
and M. Wise.

Dr. Berger opened the meeting at 3:15 p.m. by writing the following agenda on the blackboard:

1) Amendments and Grade
   a) Minuses
   b) A +

2) Letters to Chairpersons
   a) Subcommittee on Remediation
   b) Class size.

Next meeting, April 11, 1978, 3:15 - 5:00 p.m.

An article from this morning's New York Times (Mar. 28, 1978) entitled "Declining Scores on Aptitude Test Laid to Fewer Academic Courses: Study of 34 High Schools that fared better find they stressed traditional subjects" was brought to the attention of the Committee by Dr. Chang and a brief discussion followed.

A copy of the LaGuardia Review was brought to the attention of the Committee by Dr. Berger. Prof. Susan Fawcett of the English department had an article in this Journal, Dr. Berger commented. All were invited to contribute to the Journal, Dr. Berger reminded the Committee, although "it would be nice to have our own journal if money can be found".

Dr. Berger then distributed copies of "How To Kill a College" to those who did not receive a copy last time Dr. Berger handed them out.

At 3:15 p.m. Dr. Donnangelo helped the Committee recall the Tyson-Shopkow grading system by writing the following on the blackboard:

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After some discussion it was moved and seconded that:

"At be instituted for grades of 95 to 100, with the provision that the maximum grade point average may not exceed 4.0".

Secret balloting on this motion resulted in:

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At 4:00 p.m. Dr. Berger distributed copies of a memorandum (dated March 29, 1978) from him to all Departmental Chairpersons on the subject of "Departmental Representation on the Subcommittee on Remediation".

At 4:20 p.m. Dr. Berger distributed copies of a memorandum (Dated March 16, 1978) from him to all Departmental Chairpersons on the subject of "Class Size" with an attached blank form for the survey.

"A survey of the Library is another function of the Instruction Committee" said Dr. Berger. Prof. Hadgis was adapting the existing Library Report and will distribute copies of it to the Committee", Dr. Berger continued.

Prof. Sokolsky suggested greater liaison between the Counselling Office and the Instruction Committee in the form of staging a panel discussion in May.

Dr. Berger informed the Committee of a study by the Office of Institutional Research on what graduates of Bronx Community College thought of us after they had left the College.

Prof. Sokolsky asked the Chairman whether the Chairman would ask Dr. Eagle to extend the collection of the voluntary Student Questionnaires for this semester until the 14th week of the semester. Dr. Berger promised to put this problem on the agenda for the next meeting.

At 4:45 p.m. the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Mabel L. Chang
Secretary

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