MINUTES OF INSTRUCTION COMMITTEE MEETING, TUESDAY, APR. 21, 1980

Present: I. Berger, Chairman

The Chairman announced that the next meeting will be on May 6 to be followed by another meeting on May 20, 1980.

Drs. Heller and Morrill had been invited to speak on May 6. Dr. Berger announced.

Dr. Passer pointed out an error in the resolution mentioned in the Committee in the Mar. 18 meeting. In enumerating the places to which the completed cards can be submitted, the “Computer Center” should be deleted, because, according to Dr. Eagle, if the cards are directly submitted to the Computer Center, he may lose track of them.

Prof. Sokolsky reported that he will send out a list of questions (with the answers provided) on certain facts interesting to our faculty, to stimulate interest in teaching.

Prof. Wise made the suggestion that the Staff Development meetings be held on the last Friday of every month rather than the day after the Convocation or the last day of the month.

The President has recommended that the Committee on Instruction be an ad hoc rather than a standing committee, the members present were informed.

An announcement was made of a talk by a visitor on Thursday, Apr. 25, in TT228 on the subject of “Approaches to Teaching Basic Skills.”

Dr. Passer and others will be talking about the BCC Research Project at the Bronx Zoo on Apr. 25 in Room 11 of Philosophy Hall. Dr. Passer described the project and some offshoot discoveries relating to hematology.

The Christian Science Monitor (Apr. 21 edition) contains a 24-page insert on educational trends, it was announced.

The Committee then discussed a proposal for mini-workshops for the faculty, three to five sessions, on a variety of topics of use or interest. Various topics for discussion were suggested.

Lastly, Dr. Berger distributed copies of Dr. Eagle’s paper on the “Effects of Interactions between Four Instructor Status Conditions and Instructor Knowledge of, and Deviation from, Departmental Norms ...” Dr. Berger asked members to read the paper in advance of a discussion at a future meeting.

Respectfully submitted,

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