CURRICULUM COMMITTEE
BRONX COMMUNITY COLLEGE
of the CITY UNIVERSITY OF NEW YORK.

MINUTES OF THE CURRICULUM COMMITTEE

Tuesday, May 7, 1996
South Hall Conference Hall

ATTENDANCE:
F. Donnangelo, B. Eisenberg, A. Fuller, A. Galub, M. Gillespie, D. Gonzales, A. Glasser, M. Kanuck,
M. Messaoudene, J. Moghaddes, R. Quinn, A. Resto, N. Roberts, H. Stein J. Suarez, M. Wenzel,
B. Wittliff.

Division Coordinators: H. Irby, G. Lieblich, J. Ryan (Chairperson)

Student Government Representative: J. Wooley

Guests: C. Honda, S. Heller, J. Liebman

1. Chairman James Ryan called the meeting to order at 2:46 P.M.

11. The minutes of April 23, 1996 were approved unanimously with the following correction.
   Page 162, line 1 - Insert merged and/or, line now reads "The following
departments and programs will be merged and/or consolidated."

   The minutes of April 30, 1996 were approved unanimously with the following correction.
   Page 174, Add M. Messaoudene in attendance.

111. CORRESPONDENCE, REPORTS, ANNOUNCEMENTS:

A. The Chairman reported that the Professional Staff Congress suit against the Chancellor
   and the Board of Trustees' actions which declared financial exigency and mandated
   reduction of all Curricula credit requirements was overturned by the decision of Judge
   Shlesinger. The Board of Trustees will have one year to appeal this decision.

B. A memo dated May 2 from Vice Chancellor Freeland to President Corbie indicating
   that all Curricula revisions completed at Bronx Community College are in good order and
   will appear in the May Chancellor's report for action.

C. A letter dated April 25 from Vice Chancellor Freeland to Dean Polowczyk concerning the
   requirements to be included in the Letter of Intent for the AS degree in Chemistry.

D. A letter dated April 26 from Vice Chancellor Freeland to Dean Polowczyk indicating
   that no waiver was required for the proposed "Human Services Curriculum" revision. The
   required credits for the AA degree fall within the Board requirements.

E. Charlotte Honda reviewed the requirements and format for the "Letter of Intent" for new
   curricula and requested that all departments follow the same guidelines.
IV. OLD BUSINESS

A. Discussion of Minimum academic prerequisites for credit bearing courses. Deferred to Fall-96 semester.

B. Department of Physics Revision of Curriculum. Nuclear Medicine Tech. A.S. - 60 cr. Motion Approved 19-0-0

C. Department of Physics Revision of Curriculum, Automotive Tech. A.A.S. - 60 cr. Motion Approved 19-0-0

D. Department of Social Sciences Revision of Existing Curriculum - Human Services A.A. -60 cr. Motion Approved 15-3-2

V. NEW BUSINESS

A. Department of Physics New Course Proposal (Experimental)

   Cardiac Ultrasound (2 lec., 4 lab - 160 clinical hours, 4 cr.)
   Motion Approved, Viva voce

   Course Catalog Description
   Introduction to Cardiac Ultrasound. Topics include: Review of anatomy/physiology, physics of ultrasound, ultrasound instrumentation, emergency medical procedures, doppler and transesophageal echocardiology. The clinical rotation will be at Montefiore Medical Center. During the clinical phase each student will participate in approximately 150 procedures. Students completing this course will receive a certificate from Montefiore Medical Center. Prerequisites: Permission of NMT Program Director.

B. After extended discussion, the committee endorsed, by consensus, with no dissent, an expression of satisfaction with the recent decision of the court, which raised questions concerning the appropriateness of the Board of Trustees' mandate that credits for AA, AS, and AAS degrees be reduced to 60. The committee affirms opposition to mandated reductions because it believes they are, on balance, educationally unsound and not in the best interests of our students. The committee hopes, if the court decision is upheld and the mandate to reduce credits is rescinded, to revisit affected curricula and where appropriate, strengthen them through the addition of college credits.

C. Congratulations

   The Chairman recommended that the committee members congratulate themselves for the extraordinary effort made during the the past academic year in reviewing and revising all curricula at the college necessitated by the Board of Trustees' mandate.

VI. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 4:24 P.M.

The next meeting of the committee will take place in the Fall of 1996.

Respectfully submitted,

Michael J. Kanuck
Secretary Pro Tem