Minutes of the Meeting, 20 November 1986, Tech Two 228, 4 P.M.


Excused: Dr. Roscoe C. Brown, Jr. 
Dean Donald Cancienne 
Prof. Neil McLaughlin
Dean Sylvia Miranda 
Mr. M. Spivack 
Dr. Louise Squitiere

Guests: A. Bashford, L. DeAcetis, A. Fuller

1. Reports From Standing Committees of the Senate:

   A. Executive Committee

      No report.

   B. Governance and Elections

      No report.

   C. Academic Standing

      No report.

   D. Curriculum Committee

      No report.

   E. Student Activities

      Mr. LaSanta reported the chartering of the English as a Second Language, and the Ambassador Clubs. The Student Government is discussing the question of whether the presence of faculty advisors is necessary at evening activities.

   F. Instruction and Professional Development

      Professor Pomerantz replied to suggestions of the Senate (in a 13 November 1986 memorandum to Prof. Tyson)
concerning revision of the questionnaire for student evaluation of the Faculty. The new questionnaire will include an introductory statement to the questions, and there will be changes in the meaning of the scores. The former questionnaire will continue in use this semester, and the new questionnaire will be used in the fall of 1987. He also reported progress in the development of future workshops.

2. **Report From the University Faculty Senate**

   No report. Professor Tyson announced that the UFS has responded to his memo, which suggested improvements in the intelligibility of its minutes, by affirming the status quo.

3. **Report From the University Student Senate**

   No report.

4. **Title III Report**

   Doctor Forman reported on the availability of funds for improvement of existing programs, and for the development of new curricula.

   Doctor DeAcetis reported on developments in the teaching of Physics. This program encourages the spirit of inquiry through the interaction among students, and with computers for verification of their work. The program involves the use of a study guide and individualized assignments. Individualized examinations are planned.

5. **Action Items**

   A. **Minutes of the Senate Meeting, 30 October 1986**

      The minutes were accepted as submitted.

   B. **Election of Senate Vice-chairperson**

      Mr. LaSanta nominated Mr. Nelson Medina, who was elected by acclamation, by voice vote.

6. **Old Business**

   A. **Long Range Planning Committee**

      Professor Tyson referred to President Brown's memo of 29 May 1986 to inform the Senate of the intent, extent, and structure of this committee. Discussion was held on the process of nomination and selection of its membership. To secure the widest participation of volunteers to form a slate of nominees for election to this committee, it was suggested that Prof. Tyson write to all Senators and department chairpersons.
B. ECC/CUNY Acronyms

Professor Tyson reported that Doctor Squitieri's work on acronyms has been delivered to the Dean of Academic Affairs as the next step toward publication.

C. Nominations for At-large Senator Vacancy

Doctor Joseph O'Sullivan was nominated; the Executive Committee will act on the nomination.

7. Announcements:

A. Dean Polowczyk

The Dean reminded the Senate of the dates of the Thanksgiving holidays. He announced the Dean's List Reception to be held on 4 December. He described improvements in the guide for early registration (8-19 December). Once early registrations are ratified by final grades, students will make their payments on 20-21 January 1987. The schedule for final examinations becomes available on 24 November. He also announced that preparations are underway to occupy Silver Hall by 1 February 1987.

B. Student/Faculty Workshops

Professor Tyson and Ms. Woodruff (SGA) described elements of the exchange of information among students, faculty, and administrators.

C. Doctor Schwartz

Doctor Schwartz reported on the progress of the drive soliciting pledges of blood donations and its interaction with the AIDS education and awareness program.

8. Date of the Next Meeting of the Senate

The last meeting of this semester will be held on 18 December 1986 at 4 p.m. in Tech Two, 228.

9. Adjournment

The Senate was adjourned at 5:23 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

F. Haase, Secretary