BRONX COMMUNITY COLLEGE
of the City University of New York

COLLEGE SENATE

Minutes of the Meeting, 22 March 1990, 12 pm, BH 226


Excused: R. Brown, W. Duncan

Guests: A. Fuller, R. Kor, D. Walker

1. Call to Order

Prof. Galub called the meeting to order at 12:30.

2. Approval of the Agenda

The agenda was approved by voice vote.

3. Approval of the Minutes of the Meeting, 15 February 1990

The minutes were approved with the agreement that the Secretary of the Senate will meet with Dean Cancienne to draft a clarification of his remarks to be included in the minutes of the April meeting. The Secretary notes that Prof. Joyce Patterson was present at the 7 December 1989 meeting and excused from the 15 February 1990 meeting.

4. Announcements

A. Chair of the Senate and Executive Committee

Prof. Galub announced that he had appointed an ad hoc committee to make recommendations on the Campus Security Resolution, as directed by the Senate at the previous meeting. Its members included Profs. Susan Forman, Chair, Ramona Salgado, Louis Leva, and student representatives to be appointed by Dean Remps. The committee had met and was ready to give its report.

B. Deans

Dean Remps announced that Student Government elections are coming up soon. Students can run for the Student Government Association (15 positions) and/or for the Faculty/Student Disciplinary Committee (6 positions). He urged faculty to urge students to run for these positions.
Dean Cancienne reported on the state of the College budget, as requested by Prof. Galub at the last meeting. In summary, at the present time, the College budget has a $351,000 deficit, which may be offset by the increase in student enrollment; however, he foresees an additional $105,000 cut during this fiscal year. Next year he anticipates the College will have a $2,800,000 short-fall with respect to the 1990-1991 budget allocation.

5. Report, Ad Hoc Committee on Safety and Security

Prof. Forman reported that the committee had met with Dave Walker, Director of Security, Dean Kor, and Larry Cheetham, a member of the Office of Administration. They decided that the first priority was to establish a need for the stringent security measures called for in the resolution on campus security. The committee asked Mr. Walker to determine whether there existed an appreciable number of incidents on campus involving trespassers. Mr. Walker stated that few such incidents had been reported. Consequently, the committee determined that at present, there is not sufficient cause to implement tighter security measures.

Dean Kor called attention to Mr. Walker's report on "Identification card check program for Bronx Community College" (attached) distributed to the Senate at this meeting. Ms. Ramirez, the drafter of the resolution, stated that she had investigated the process called for in the resolution on other campuses and found that it does not work anyway.

The Senate voted to accept the report by voice vote. Prof. Forman thanked Dean Kor and David Walker for their time and energy.


Prof. J. Juechter summarized her report (attached). In the course of discussion, Dean Polowczyk reported on his determination concerning change of grades not approved by Chairpersons. In the event of such a situation, the Chair can note disapproval on the form and the Registrar will notify the Dean. He recommended that such cases be reviewed by a departmental committee.

A fundamental question was raised concerning item 2 of the report, the case of the staff member who was essentially not teaching: "Who is responsible for a professor's behavior?" No one chose to answer this; however, the immediate situation was resolved, as indicated in the report. The Senate approved the report by voice vote.

7. Reports from University Bodies

A. University Faculty Senate

Prof. Squitieri reported that the president of Research Foundation, Mathew Goldstein, gave a presentation to the University Senate in which he expressed pride in the fact that
the Foundation was able to return to the colleges $.50 on the
dollar of grant money administered by the Foundation. She noted
that other campuses were exploring ways of administering grants
without using Research Foundation.

She announced that BCC would be the host institution of the
conference "Remediation Across the Curriculum" to be held in the
fall.

B. University Student Senate

Ms. Cartegena announced that the University Student Senate had
organized a trip on to Albany on 27 March to lobby against the
University budget cuts.

8. Reports from Standing Committees of the College Senate

A. Academic Standing Committee

There was no report.

B. Curriculum Committee

The report was deferred to item 9.

C. Governance and Elections Committee

Prof. Lieblich announced the upcoming election of two faculty
members to the Committee on Instruction and Governance.

D. Instruction and Professional Development Committee

There was no report.

E. Student Activities Committee

Dean Rempson asked the Senate to approve the chartering of four
clubs which had been approved by the SGA: Astronomy Club, Dart
Club, IEEE Club and Phi Theta Kappa Fraternity. The Senate
approved the request by voice vote.

9. Curriculum Committee Items

The Senate approved by voice vote the new curriculum, Advertising
Art and Computer Graphics. This was the second and final passage
required to send the proposal to the Board. Dean Fuller noted
that the course number should be ART 86 (not 85) as correctly
described in the fourth semester course sequence. The Senate
also by voice vote approved, on first reading, the following: a
change in the A.S. degree in Business Administration - Accounting
Option; changes in the Engineering Science Curriculum for the
A.S. degree; changes in the A.A.S. degree in the Business
Department (Paralegal Studies) - Lawyer's Assistant and Lay
Advocate Curriculum.
10. "F" Grade Resolution (Committee on Academic Standing)

The Senate unanimously approved by voice vote the resolution submitted by the College's Committee on Academic Standing (attached) that the "F" grade "Guideline" put forth by the Office of Academic Affairs is an infringement on the authority of the Faculty to determine academic policy at its own institutions. This resolution will be forwarded to the Vice Chancellor of Academic Affairs. This is the same resolution passed by the University Faculty Senate.

11. New Business

There was no new business.

12. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 2:05.

Respectfully submitted,

Madelaine Bates