

MINUTES OF THE ACADEMIC SENATE OF QUEENS COLLEGE - November 8, 1973
Academic II - Room 170

1. The Holder of the Chair, Stephen Schwerner, called the meeting to order at 3:50 p.m.

2. Approval of Agenda -

a) MOTION: Duly made (Mandel), seconded and passed:

"To modify agenda to make item 3-a under Announcements and Administrative Reports, Mandel's resignation from the Executive Committee."

b) MOTION: Duly made (Mansfield), seconded and passed:

"To modify agenda to change item 5-c under Old Business, to item 4-a under Committee Reports - ad hoc Governance Committee."

c) MOTION: Duly made (Chen), seconded and passed:

"To modify agenda to make item 3-b under Announcements and Administrative Reports, for resolution regarding the National Conference on Racism and the University."

d) MOTION: Duly made (Newman), seconded and passed:

"To modify agenda to make item 3-c under Announcements and Administrative Reports, for resolution regarding cats on campus."

e) MOTION: Duly made, seconded and passed:

"To approve agenda, as amended."

3. Approval of Minutes -

MOTION: Duly made, seconded and passed:

"To adopt minutes of September 20, 1973, as distributed."

4. Announcements and Administrative Reports -

I) MOTION: Duly made (Mandel), seconded and failed:

"To request acceptance of Mandel resignation from the Executive Committee."

II) MOTION: Duly made (Chen), and seconded, to accept the following resolution:

"Whereas, in the course of the academic year the Queens College community has experienced several apparent incidents of racial unrest, and

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4. Announcements and Administrative Reports (continued)

II) Chen resolution (continued)

Whereas, contemporary racist theories are perpetuated in our classrooms under the guise of academia, thereby institutionalizing bigotry through concepts of racial inferiority,

Be it resolved: That the Academic Senate of Queens College, City University of New York, fully endorses the National Conference on Racism and the University this November 17, and 18, in New York City, and all future teach-ins, activities, and efforts that are conducted peacefully to thwart racism at every level, expose racist doctrines as the outrageous myths they are, assuage racial tensions, and/or promote better understanding among all ethnic groups on this campus;

Be it also resolved:

That the Academic Senate sponsor the Committee Against Racism (CAR) forum on Academic Racism and Government Policy: the CED Report and CUNY cutbacks this Thursday, November 15, 1 - 3 p.m. SS150 (dome);

Be it further resolved:

That upon enactment of this resolution by the Queens College Academic Senate, a telegram of the resolution be sent to the National Conference on Racism and the University at Loeb Center, New York University on November 17, 1973, at 10:00 a.m. to express our fullest support."

MOTION: Duly made (Wasserman), seconded and failed:

"To close off debate."

Amendment (Fleshler) - "To delete second 'Whereas'."
Chen accepted as friendly amendment.

Amendment (Wettan) - "To delete everything after the words, 'New York City' in the third paragraph."

MOTION: Duly made (Scharf), seconded and passed:

"To close off debate."

Wettan amendment - passed.

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4. Announcements and Administrative Reports (continued)

II) Chen resolution (continued)

MOTION: Duly made (Warren), seconded and passed:

"To close off debate on resolution."

Chen's resolution - failed.

III) MOTION: Duly made (Newman), and seconded, to accept the following resolution:

"That the Queens College Animal Protection League, or a similar group of students will be allowed to continue to care for a group of cats on the campus until, and if, they can be placed into good homes.

Also, the administration will -

- a. not be able to remove, harass or harm any cats on the Queens College campus;
- b. return all cat traps."

a) MOTION: Duly made (DeHaan), and seconded:

"To refer resolution to the Campus Life Committee."

b) Secondary amendment (Wettan): "To hold resolution in force until Campus Life Committee returns with a report."

MOTION: Duly made (Bass), seconded and passed:

"To close off debate on Wettan amendment."

Wettan amendment - passed.

DeHaan's motion, "To refer resolution to Campus Life Committee." - passed.

5. MOTION: Duly made (Mansfield), seconded and passed:

"To change the composition of the ad hoc Governance Committee from ten members to eight members."

6. Undergraduate Curriculum Committee (Scharf) -
(Committee meeting minutes October 16, 1973, as distributed.)

I. a) MOTION: Duly made, seconded and passed:

"To adopt minor changes, in toto."

b) Major Items -

MOTION: Duly made, seconded and passed:

"To adopt new courses in Classical and Oriental Languages - Hebrew Grammar 10 and E10; Hebrew Composition 11, E11."

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6. Undergraduate Curriculum Committee (continued)

II. (Committee meeting minutes October 31, 1973, as distributed):

MOTION: Duly made, seconded and passed:

"To adopt new courses in Classical and Oriental Languages - Hebrew 65, E65 - Foreign Elements in Hebrew."

7. MOTION: Duly made (Livote), seconded and passed:

"To suspend rules for resolution regarding reappointment of Dr. Mandel."

MOTION: Duly made (Livote), and seconded, for the following resolution:

"The Academic Senate of Queens College is appalled by the decision of the Committee of Six to fire Dr. Irwin Mandel, who has proven to be a vital part of the academic community. The Senate wholeheartedly supports Dr. Mandel in his fight to reverse this decision."

Friendly amendment (Hill) - "To change words, 'to fire' to 'not to reappoint.'"

Mandel requested resolution to be withdrawn. Livote withdrew resolution.

8. MOTION: Duly made (Hill), seconded and passed:

"To suspend rules to take up resolution to establish an ad hoc Committee on Transportation and Parking."

MOTION: Duly made (Hill), seconded and passed:

"To postpone resolution until next week."

9. Continuing with ISPC report - Article I - Section 1.4 - The Personnel and Budget Committees.

MOTION: Duly made (Holford), and seconded:

"To move into a quasi-Committee of the Whole."

MOTION: Duly made (Fleshler), seconded and passed:

"To adjourn."

Meeting adjourned at 5:40 p.m.; to be reconvened on November 15, 1973, at 3:00 p.m.