

MINUTES OF THE ACADEMIC SENATE OF QUEENS COLLEGE - March 11, 1976
 Academic II - room 170

1. The Holder of the Chair, Larry Mansfield, called the meeting to order at 3:35 p.m.

2. Approval of Agenda -

a) MOTION: Duly made (Bigman), seconded and failed:

"To modify agenda and place under Special Motions, resolution regarding P & B's decision on distribution of grade cards."

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

"To modify agenda and place under Special Motions, as item 4-a, resolution regarding rally to protest cuts."

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

"To modify agenda and place under Special Motions, as item 4-b, resolution regarding the categorizing of subjects proposed by the Chancellor."

d) Notice of Intent (Alsop) - Elections Committee, proposed Charter change at next regular Academic Senate meeting.

e) MOTION: Duly made (Rigman), seconded and passed:

"To modify agenda and place under New Business, item 7-a, resolution regarding registration for the Spring 1977 semester."

f) MOTION: Duly made (Roskes), seconded and passed:

"To modify agenda and place Committee on Committees under Committee Reports."

g) MOTION: Duly made (Gorkin), seconded and passed:

"To modify agenda and place resolution regarding P & B's decision on distribution of grade cards, under New Business as item 7-b."

Chair announced that items 5-b through 5-f under Committee Reports were in error and should not appear on agenda.

h) MOTION: Duly made, seconded and passed:

"To adopt agenda, as amended."

3. Approval of Minutes -

MOTION: Duly made, seconded and passed:

"To adopt minutes of February 5, 1976, as distributed."

4. Announcements, Administrative Reports, and Memorials -

Chair read letter from Chancellor Kibbee dated March 1, 1976, acknowledging resolution passed by the Academic Senate on February 19, 1976.

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5. Special Motions -

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

"Whereas, University Student Senate, Professional Staff Congress, Union of University Professors and Student Association of State Universities have called for a statewide rally to protest cuts in higher education budgets for Tuesday, March 16, 1976;

Whereas, the Queens College Student Association is offering free buses to this rally;

Be it resolved, that the Senate recommends no exams be scheduled either for Tuesday, March 16, or Wednesday, March 17;

Be it resolved, that no student be penalized for missing class on the 16th;

Be it further resolved, that the President of the College communicate this to the faculty."

Editorial changes: Paragraph three - add words, "the Senate recommends" after 'Be it resolved'. Also add, the date of March '16' after the word, 'Tuesday'.

Resolution - passed, as amended.

b) MOTION: Duly made (Haney), and seconded: (to adopt the following resolution):

"Whereas, the Chancellor of the City University of New York, in assigning a basic Liberal Arts mission to Queens College, has specified certain academic subjects as the "core" of the Liberal Arts and certain others as "peripheral", and

Whereas, the Academic Senate of Queens College, having the duly constituted authority and responsibility for determining the curriculum and the administrative arrangements for offering courses of instruction pertaining to the curriculum, and

Whereas, the variety of academic offerings which comprise the study of the Liberal Arts at Queens College does not correspond to the list of subjects specified by the Chancellor, by reason of combining certain of these subjects into a single department, by establishing portions of the covered fields into separate departments, or providing for a more comprehensive approach to the Liberal Arts through additional departments,

Be it resolved, that the Academic Senate of Queens College does not accept the validity of the listing or categorizing of subjects proposed by the Chancellor, and proposes instead that the designation of scope and composition of courses of instruction in the Liberal Arts remain the responsibility of the duly constituted academic body of the college, and that any

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5. b) Special Motions - (Haney) resolution (continued)

movement toward consolidation of courses of instruction here with corresponding Liberal Arts offerings at other senior colleges of the City University be based upon (1) the academic quality of the programs at the units involved, and (2) the economic vitality of the programs based on student enrollment in relation to allocated resources;

Be it further resolved, that similar criteria apply to professionally oriented undergraduate and graduate academic programs."

Amendment (Bigman) - "To add the following: Be it further resolved, that the Academic Senate reject the proposals for the restructuring of the University, known as the "Kibbee Plan."

Seeing no debate, Chair called for an immediate vote.

Bigman amendment - failed.

Friendly amendment (Mell) - "To delete the following in the paragraph of, 'Be it resolved that': 'and proposes instead that' and add the word "since" after Chancellor. Delete everything after the word, 'college'."

Haney accepted Mell's friendly amendment.

Amendment (Neurath) - "To add the word "must" before the word, 'remain'."

Seeing no further debate, Chair moved to an immediate vote.

Haney's resolution, as amended - passed by acclamation.

6. MOTION: Duly made (Bigman), seconded and failed:

"To modify agenda and place under Special Motions, resolution regarding Kibbee's Plan."

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

"To modify agenda and interchange items six and seven on the agenda."

7. Committee Reports -

a) Executive Committee -

MOTION: Duly made, seconded and passed:

"To rescind the decision to hold those Senate elections which were voted on at the Senate meeting of October ~~10~~, 1975."

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7. Committee Reports (continued)

b) Committee on Committees (Roskes) -

The following students were nominated for the vacant seat (to 1976) on the Ombudsman Committee:

Virginia Whitaker

Nomination from the floor: Danielle Riley

Danielle Riley elected (to 1976) to the Ombudsman Committee.

The following faculty were nominated to the Instructional Staff Procedures Committee:

Barbara Weinberg (to 1977)

MOTION: Duly made, seconded and passed:

"That the Secretary cast one ballot for the slate submitted."

8. Old Business -

- a) MOTION: Duly made (Browne), and seconded: (to adopt the following Bylaw change originally on Senate agenda of November 20, 1975):

"To change the student membership of the Undergraduate Curriculum Committee to -

Students: one undergraduate student from each of three divisions;
one undergraduate student at large

Upon change of status or graduation the seat in question will be declared vacant.

Upon implementation of the report on the Organization of the College, the membership shall be as follows:

Students: Not more than one undergraduate student from any academic school or division.

Upon change of status or graduation the seat in question will be declared vacant."

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

"To close off debate."

Browne's motion - failed.

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8. Old Business (continued)

- b) MOTION: Duly made (Browne), and seconded: (to adopt the following Bylaw change originally on Senate agenda of November 20, 1975):

"To change the student membership of the Undergraduate Scholastic Standards Committee to -

Students: at least one undergraduate student from S.G.S.:
four undergraduate students at large

Upon change of status or graduation the seat in question will be declared vacant.

Upon implementation of the report on the Organization of the College, the membership shall be as follows:

Students: Not more than one undergraduate student from any one academic school or division.

Upon change of status or graduation the seat in question will be declared vacant.

Amendment (Mandelbaum) - "To delete the following words in both paragraphs:

"Upon change of status or graduation the seat in question will be declared vacant."

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

"To call all previous questions."

Mandelbaum's amendment - passed.

Bylaw change to be the first item of business at next Senate meeting.

9. Returning to the Undergraduate Curriculum Committee proposal (Senate meetings of February 19, and 26, 1976). Basic Skills Requirements:

- a) Gorkin withdrew his amendment (Senate meeting of February 26, 1976) as follows:

"A student at the recommendation of the instructor, with consultation of the chairman, may be required to take English 6.0."

- b) Amendment (Kirsch) - "To delete English 6.0 (including 6.1, 6.2, etc.) on line two of paragraph one."

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

"To close off debate on Kirsch's amendment."

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

"To have a roll-call vote on Kirsch's amendment."

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9. Undergraduate Curriculum Committee - Basic Skills Requirements (continued)

Kirsch's amendment - failed.

c) MOTION: Duly made (Fass), seconded and failed:

"To close off debate on amended proposal."

d) Amendment (Stemple) - "To add the following words after paragraph two of amended proposal, and after new paragraph three (Herhenov's amendment), as follows:

"However, a student may not receive credit for the course if notification of the exemption is received before the first day of classes."

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

"To close off debate."

Stemple's amendment - passed.

e) Amendment (Alsop) - "To add the following words in the fifth paragraph after the words, 'Basic Skills Requirements': "must be started during the freshman year and."

Secondary amendment (Alsop) - changed amendment to - "must be completed by the end of the sophomore year."

Alsop withdrew secondary amendment. Back to original Alsop amendment -

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

"To close off debate on Alsop's amendment."

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

"To have a roll-call vote on Alsop's amendment."

Alsop's amendment - passed.

f) Amendment (Gorkin) - "To add the following words to the second sentence in paragraph one after the word, 'English 1': "Students in need of further writing instruction upon the completion of English 1, will be recommended to take English 6. Students who upon the recommendation choose to enter English 6, will be tested upon the completion of the course. These tests will be compared to similar tests administered to students completing English 1. The results of these tests will be reported to the Academic Senate after two semesters of testing in order to establish the validity for further writing requirements beyond English 1."

(Neurath) requested to move Gorkin's amendment - out of order.

Chair ruled Gorkin's amendment - in order

Neurath appealed the ruling of the Chair. Chair was upheld.

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9. f) Undergraduate Curriculum Committee - Basic Skills Requirements (continued)

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

"To close off debate on Gorkin's amendment."

Gorkin's amendment - failed.

10. MOTION: Duly made (Pollard), seconded and failed:

"To amend agenda and take up resolution on grade cards."

11. MOTION: Duly made (Gorkin), seconded and passed:

"To adjourn."

Meeting adjourned at 5:55 p.m.; to be reconvened Thursday, March 25, 1976, at 3:00 p.m.