

MINUTES OF THE ACADEMIC SENATE OF QUEENS COLLEGE - April 8, 1976  
 Academic II - room 170

1. The Holder of the Chair, Larry Mansfield, called the meeting to order at 3:45 p.m.
2. Approval of Agenda -
  - a) MOTION: Duly made (F. Hill), seconded and passed:
 

"To amend agenda and place under Special Motions as item 4-a, resolution regarding trimesters."
  - b) MOTION: Duly made (Stemple), seconded and failed:
 

"To amend agenda and place under Special Motions as item 4-b, resolution regarding students possession of keys for entrance to various offices."
  - c) MOTION: Duly made (Wieder), seconded and passed:
 

"To amend agenda and place under Special Motions as item 4-b, resolution regarding the Holocaust and Ghetto Uprising Remembrance Day."
  - d) MOTION: Duly made (Stemple), seconded and passed:
 

"To amend agenda and place under New Business, resolution regarding students possession of keys for entrance to various offices."
  - e) MOTION: Duly made (Roskes), seconded and passed:
 

"To amend agenda and place under Committee Reports as item 5-c, Committee on Committees."
  - f) MOTION: Duly made (Schuyler), seconded and passed:
 

"To amend agenda and place under Committee Reports as item 5-a, Executive Committee."
  - g) MOTION: Duly made, seconded and passed:
 

"To adopt agenda, as amended."
3. Approval of Minutes -
  - a) MOTION: Duly made, and seconded:
 

"To adopt minutes of February 19, 1976, as distributed."

(M. Hardeman) - Correction of item 5-II-a, Graduate Curriculum Committee meeting minutes of October 21, 1975, add the following motion to Major Items:

MOTION: Duly made, seconded and passed:

"To adopt changes in prerequisites for matriculation in Elementary Education: Specialty in Environmental Education Area D; Programs in Early Childhood Education; Programs in Elementary Education."

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3. b) MOTION: Duly made, seconded and passed:

"To adopt minutes of February 19, 1976, as amended."

4. Announcements, Administrative Reports and Memorials -

- a) President Murphy addressed the Senate regarding possible payless furlough.
- b) Chair exhibited plaque presented to Dr. Stephen Schwerner for his distinguished service as Chairperson of the Academic Senate from 1972-1975.
- c) Chair announced correction on tentative Senate meeting schedule for regular Senate meeting for May - should be May 13, instead of May 6, 1976.
- d) Chair announced correction on Executive Committee meeting minutes of February 24, 1976, to delete asterisk and foot note (pertaining to proposed calendar 76/77 for Queens College).

5. Deputy Holder of the Chair, Mark Schuyler, assumed the Chair.

- a) MOTION: Duly made (F. Hill), and seconded: (to adopt the following resolution):

"Whereas, the Board of Higher Education at its meeting of Monday, April 5, authorized a calendar that divides the academic year into trimesters, and

Whereas, this calendar is to be tried at several of the campuses of C.U.N.Y. next year, and

Whereas, the Academic Senate of Queens College deems the effects of this change in the calendar to be detrimental to the academic program of the College;

Be it resolved, that the Academic Senate of Queens College requests the President to inform the Chancellor that he will refuse to accept any directive to institute the trimester calendar at this College."

- b) Amendment (Schwerner) - "To add the following words after the word 'Chancellor':  
"that the Senate is overwhelmingly opposed to this ill-advised change,"  
and delete the words, 'he will refuse to accept any directive to institute the trimester calendar at this College'."

Seeing no further debate, Chair called for an immediate vote.

Schwerner's amendment - passed:

- c) Amendment (Fass) - "To add after words, 'change in the calendar' the words, 'will probably be' before the word 'detrimental'."

Seeing no further debate, Chair called for an immediate vote.

Fass's amendment - failed.

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## 5. (F. Hill) - resolution (continued)

- d) Seeing no further debate on F. Hill's resolution, the Chair called for an immediate vote.

F. Hill's resolution, as amended - passed.

## 6. The Holder of the Chair, Larry Mansfield, assumed the Chair.

## 7. MOTION: Duly made (Wieder), seconded and passed, by acclamation, the following resolution:

"Whereas, on April 12, 1951, the Israeli Knesset passed a resolution proclaiming the 27th day of Nissan as the Holocaust and Ghetto Uprising Remembrance Day, and

Whereas, Yad Va'Shem, created to gather, study, and publish the entire testimony concerning the Holocaust and heroism, determined that one of its major tasks was also to inculcate in the peoples of world an awareness of the Holocaust, and

Whereas, the Holocaust must be looked upon as a universal tragedy with implications for all mankind, and must be remembered in order to prevent such genocide from ever occurring again, against any people, and

Whereas, this year, the 27th day of Nissan falls on the 27th day of April,

Be it therefore resolved, that the Academic Senate of Queens College declares the week of April 25, through April 30, 1976, to be HOLOCAUST COMMEMORATION WEEK, and

Be it further resolved, that the Senate, in reaffirming its abhorrance to war, genocide, and mass murder in any form and to any people, declares a minute of silence to be proclaimed for Tuesday, April 27, 1976 at 12:00 p.m. to 12:01 p.m."

## 8. Committee Reports -

- a) Executive Committee (Schuyler) reported vacant student seat (to 1977) on Committee on Committees.

The following students were nominated from the floor:

Allen Wieder, Dave Lira, Andrew Gavil.

Run-off vote between Dave Lira and Andrew Gavil.

Dave Lira elected to the Committee on Committees (to 1977).

- b) Ombudsman Committee Report by Ms Harriet Reynolds, dated December 31, 1975, as distributed.

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## 8. Committee Reports - Ombudsman Committee (continued)

MOTION: Duly made (Sheppard), seconded and passed - by acclamation:

"Whereas, the Ombudsman Committee is extremely satisfied with the work of Ms. Harriet Reynolds, and

Whereas, Ms. Reynolds has received consistently outstanding evaluations, and

Whereas, Ms. Reynolds is an important force for positive change on the Queens College campus;

Therefore, the Ombudsman Committee recommends that Ms. Reynolds be reappointed to a three year term as Ombudsman."

c) Elections Committee (Alsop) - Proposed Charter change, as distributed:

MOTION: Duly made (Alsop), and seconded:

"Whereas, the Queens College Academic Senate Charter presently allows certain groups of voters to exercise their franchise twice, once for their special group and once for an overlapping group; and

Whereas, the Charter already precludes the possibility of double voting by one such group, the graduate students (section II, C.3);

Be it resolved, that the Queens College Academic Senate extends the preclusion of double voting to all groups by amending its Charter to read:

SECTION II

B.4. SEEK. All members of the SEEK Program holding the ranks of Professor, Associate Professor, Assistant Professor, Instructor, and Lecturer who have not exercised their franchise under B. 2. may vote for the SEEK representatives.

C.1. (last line) In addition, the Day Session students who do not exercise their franchise under C. 4 or C. 5. will elect eight (8) representatives at large.

C.2. School of General Studies. All matriculated and nonmatriculated School of General Studies students who are in good standing and do not exercise their franchise under C. 5. will elect seven (7) representatives from their number.

C.4. SEEK. Students enrolled in the SEEK Program who have not exercised their franchise by voting for the Day Session at large student representatives will elect two (2) representatives at large from their number.

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## 8. c) Elections Committee Proposed Charter change (continued)

C.5. Adult Collegiate Education. Students enrolled in the Adult Collegiate Education Program who have not exercised their franchise under C.2. or by voting for the Day Session at large student representatives will elect two (2) representatives at large from their number."

MOTION: Duly made (Lira), and seconded:

"To commit Elections' Committee Charter change to the ad hoc Governance Committee."

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

"To close off debate on Lira's motion."

Lira's motion - passed.

## d) MOTION: Duly made (Alsop), seconded and passed:

"To consider additional report by the Elections Committee."

(Alsop) - Balloting period for 1976 elections to be changed from: May 5 - May 11, to May 3 - May 14; or if College is closed during spring vacation, May 10 - 21; and move the first new Senate meeting to June 1, 1976.

## e) Committee on Committees (Roskes) -

The following faculty were nominated to the ad hoc Advisory Library Committee:  
Edward Lerner

MOTION: Duly made, seconded and passed:

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

The following faculty were nominated to the Admissions Committee (to 1976):  
Betsy Kaufman

MOTION: Duly made, seconded and passed:

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

The following faculty were nominated to the Elections Committee (to 1977):  
Milton Nathanson

MOTION: Duly made, seconded and passed:

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

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9. Old Business -

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

"Be it resolved, that the Academic Senate recommends that registration for the Spring 1977 semester be scheduled during the last weeks of classes."

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

"To close off debate."

Bigman's motion - failed.

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

"Be it resolved, that the Academic Senate direct the chairpersons of all academic departments to distribute grade cards to the instructors and the instructors shall give students the grades to which they are entitled;

Be it further resolved, that the Academic Senate urge all students and faculty to join the Student Association in keeping the campus open in the event of a furlough;

Be it further resolved, that the Academic Senate reaffirm its opposition to a faculty lockout."

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

"To postpone Gorkin's resolution to the last meeting of this session of the Senate."

10. MOTION: Duly made (Greco), seconded and passed:

"To adjourn."

Meeting adjourned at 5:35 p.m.; to be reconvened Thursday, April 22, 1976, at 3:00 p.m.