

MINUTES OF THE ACADEMIC SENATE OF QUEENS COLLEGE  
 Kiely Hall - room 170

November 12, 1987

1. The Holder of the Chair, Dr. Elizabeth S. Boylan, called the meeting to order at 3:55 p.m.

2. Approval of Agenda -

MOTION: Duly made, and passed:

"To adopt the agenda, as distributed."

3. Approval of Minutes -

MOTION: Duly made, and passed:

"To adopt Academic Senate meeting minutes of September 17, and October 1, 1987, as distributed."

4. Committee Reports:

I. MOTION: Duly made (D. Leblang, U.C.C.):

"To adopt JOINT PROPOSAL by Graduate Curriculum Committee.  
 and Undergraduate Curriculum Committee, as follows:

"Whereas, the New York State Education Department is unwilling to approve changes in degree programs without a statement protecting students from undue increases in credits after they have matriculated, and

Whereas, Queens College does not now have a mechanism for ascertaining when a student designates a major, and

Whereas, Queens College has always held matriculated students harmless from changes in general education requirements, therefore

Be it resolved, that Queens College agrees that matriculated students enrolled in graduate or undergraduate programs are responsible for meeting degree requirements in force at the time of their matriculation. If degree requirements are changed following matriculation, the student is given the option of satisfying original requirements or new requirements. The above policy includes those undergraduate students who were matriculated, took leaves of absence (while in good standing), and return to the College.

Students who are dismissed for academic reasons may be subject to new regulations depending on how long after dismissal the student returns and such other factors as may be taken into account by the appropriate Scholastic Standards Committee."

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## 4. I. JOINT PROPOSAL - G.C.C. and U.C.C. (continued)

Amendment (M. Taylor): To insert the following as a new second sentence in the motion:

"Changes in the structure of a major must be introduced in such a manner as to avoid increasing the number of credits required of students who have started taking courses required for the major."

Editorial change (Alsop): "To add the word, "general" after the word, 'If' and before the word, 'degree'," in the original second sentence of the motion.

Friendly amendment (Mandelbaum): "To change the word, 'introduced' in Taylor's amendment, to the word, "applied."

Taylor accepted Mandelbaum's Friendly Amendment.

Resolution to read as follows:

"Be it resolved, that Queens College agrees that matriculated students enrolled in graduate or undergraduate programs are responsible for meeting degree requirements in force at the time of their matriculation. Changes in the structure of a major must be applied in such a manner as to avoid increasing the number of credits required of students who have started taking courses required for the major. If general degree requirements are changed following matriculation, the student is given the option of satisfying original requirements or new requirements. The above policy includes those undergraduate students who were matriculated, took leaves of absence (while in good standing), and return to the College.

Students who are dismissed for academic reasons may be subject to new regulations depending on how long after dismissal the student returns and such other factors as may be taken into account by the appropriate Scholastic Standards Committee."

Seeing no further amendments, the Chair called for an immediate vote on the Joint Proposal, as amended.

G.C.C. and U.C.C. Joint Proposal - as amended, passed.

II. Undergraduate Curriculum Committee (D. Leblang) -  
(Undergraduate Curriculum Committee proposals of September 10, 1987,  
as distributed):

Major Items:

MOTION: Duly made, and passed:

"To adopt new course in Comparative Literature, No. 229,E229,  
Women in Modern World Literature."

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## 4. II. Undergraduate Curriculum Committee proposals of September 10, 1987, Major Items (continued)

MOTION: Duly made, and passed:

"To adopt new course in Geology, No. 12, Natural Disasters."

Minor Changes:

MOTION: Duly made, and passed:

"To adopt change in numbers in Art History courses; change in prerequisite, title and description in English courses."

## III. Elections Committee Report (T. Hayes) -

MOTION: Duly made, and passed:

"To adopt the following Election schedule for 1988, as distributed:

Nomination Period:

Day hours:	February 22 - February 26	(Mon.-Fri.)	11:00 to 3:00
	February 29 - March 3	(Mon.-Thurs)	11:00 to 4:00
	March 4	(Friday)	11:00 to 3:00

Eve hours:	February 22 - February 24	(Mon.-Wed.)	4:00 to 8:00
	March 1 - March 3	(Tues.-Thurs.)	4:00 to 8:00

\*Record Date: February 26.

Election Period:

Day hours:	April 18 - April 21	(Mon.-Thurs.)	9:00 to 3:00
Locations:	S.U.; D.H.; M.K.H.; P.H.		

Eve hours:	April 18 - April 20	(Mon.-Wed.)	4:30 to 8:00
Locations:	M.K.H.; P.H.		

\*Date by which students must have established that they have the appropriate class standing and are in good standing academically.

NOTE: Ballots for day students will be on computer forms; for evening students on paper forms."

## IV. Executive Committee (C. Edel) -

A. MOTION: Duly made:

"To endorse, in the strongest possible terms, the October 20, 1987, resolution of the University Faculty Senate on

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"Whereas, the Bylaws of The City University of New York, section 8.6, assign the duty of recommending curriculum and degree requirements to the faculty, and

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## 4. IV. A. Academic Decision Making resolution (continued)

"Whereas, the time-honored relationship between the governing boards of academic institutions and their faculties has been such that faculty initiate and propose curriculum and degree requirements and the Board reviews and approves such proposals primarily for coherence, implementation, and funding; and

Whereas, the University Faculty Senate views it as a destructive precedent for the Board to attempt to usurp the traditional right and function of college faculties in academic decision-making,

Therefore, be it resolved, that The City University Board of Trustees refrain from interfering in the faculty Bylaws rights to design curriculum proposals in the traditional manner, and

Further, be it resolved, that The City University Board of Trustees uphold its Bylaws with respect to the role of the faculty in academic decision-making."

- a) Substitute Motion (C.Edel): "To change the word, 'faculty' wherever it appears, to the words, " Queens College Governance Body," and to change the phrase "University Faculty Senate" to the "Academic Senate of Queens College."
- b) Editorial change: (A.Temsamani): "To add in the first 'Whereas' after '8.6', "and 8.16."
- c) MOTION: Duly made (D.Pecoraro), seconded, and passed:  
 "To close off debate on Edel's Substitute Motion."
- d) Chair called for a vote on whether to consider a Substitute Motion.  
 Vote to consider a Substitute Motion - failed.
- e) Seeing no further debate, the Chair called for a vote on the Executive Committee's Motion, "to endorse, in the strongest possible terms, the October 20, 1987, resolution of the University Faculty Senate on Academic Decision-Making."
- f) MOTION: Duly made (R. Kaye), seconded and passed:  
 "To have a roll-call vote on the Executive Committee's Motion to endorse the U.F.S. Resolution."  
 Results of the roll-call vote: For: 30; Against: 0;  
 Abstentions: 20 (see attachment).
- g) Executive Committee's Motion - passed.

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## 4. IV. B. Executive Committee (C. Edel) -

MOTION: Duly made, and passed: (BYLAW CHANGE)

"To amend Academic Senate Bylaws, Article VII, Section 24-J, 2 b), ex officio (nonvoting) membership on the Foreign Student Affairs Committee, as follows:

delete: Director of Office of Foreign Student Advisement;  
add: Assistant Registrar Liaison for Foreign Student Affairs."

## 5. New Business:

## a) Nominating Committee (Mandelbaum) -

The following graduate student was nominated to fill the vacant Ed. seat (to Dec. 1987) on the Graduate Curriculum Committee:

Maureen Hantke

## b) The following faculty member was nominated to fill the vacant Sci. seat (to Dec. 1987) on the Graduate Curriculum Committee:

Johna Leddy

## c) Seeing no further nominations, the Chair asked the Secretary, "to cast one ballot for each of the nominees."

There was no further business. The agenda was completed.

MOTION: Duly made (D. Pecoraro), seconded and passed:

"To adjourn."

Meeting adjourned at 5:10 p.m. Next Regular meeting of the Academic Senate Thursday, December 10, 1987, at 3:35 p.m.

