

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

December 10, 1987

1. The Holder of the Chair, Dr. Elizabeth S. Boylan, called the meeting to order at 3:50 p.m.

2. Approval of Agenda -

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

"To amend the agenda and make item VI-b, under Committee Reports, Undergraduate Scholastic Standards Committee - "Fresh Start" proposal."

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

"To amend the agenda and make item IV-a, under Committee Reports, Campus Affairs Committee, for consideration of two honorary degrees."

Seeing no further amendments, the agenda was adopted - as amended.

3. Approval of Minutes -

MOTION: Duly made, and passed:

"To adopt Academic Senate meeting minutes of November 12, 1987, as distributed."

4. Committee Reports:

I. A. Undergraduate Curriculum Committee (Thurber) -  
 (Undergraduate Curriculum Committee proposals of October 8, 1987,  
 as distributed):

Major Items:

a) MOTION: Duly made, and passed: (page 1)

"To adopt changes in the degree requirements for the Applied Mathematics Option (HEGIS 1701), with modification of requirements, as follows:

- a) They must also take six courses from Group I, at least two of which must be numbered 300 or higher...
- b) Add to Group I: Mathematics 220, 333, 613, 619."

b) MOTION: Duly made, and passed: (page 2)

"To adopt new course in Accounting & Information Systems, No. 100. Financial and Managerial Accounting."

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4. I. A. Undergraduate Curriculum Committee proposals of October 8, 1987,  
Major Items (continued)

c) MOTION: Duly made: (page 3)

"To adopt new course in English No. 326. Women Writers and  
Literary Tradition."Editorial Change (Thurber) - "In first paragraph, second sentence,  
delete the words, 'Such topics as'; replace with, "Among  
the topics considered are "

Motion - passed, with editorial change.

Minor Changes: (pages 4 and 5)

MOTION: Duly made, and passed:

"To adopt minor changes in: Communication Arts and Sciences courses;  
in Health and Physical Education course."B. Undergraduate Curriculum Committee proposals of October 29, 1987,  
as distributed:

Major Items: (pages 1,2,3)

MOTION: Duly made, and passed:

"To adopt new courses in Economics: No. 151,E151. Introduction  
to Geography; No. 253,E253. Economic Geography; No. 254,E254  
Introduction to Regional Science; No. 258,E258 Political Geography;  
No. 370,E370 Special Problems in Regional Science."

MOTION: Duly made, and passed:

"To adopt new course in English No. 363. World Literature Written  
in English."

Minor Changes: (pages 4,5)

MOTION: Duly made, and passed:

"To adopt minor change in Biology course; and in Economics the  
withdrawal of all geography courses listed on page 115 of the  
current Queens College Bulletin; and minor change in English  
course."

MOTION: Duly made, and passed: (UCC minutes 9/10/87):

"To adopt additions to LASAR, Humanities I, Tier II - Comparative  
Literature No. 229,E229 Women in Modern World Literature."

On Information: A new minor in Geography was presented.

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## 4. Committee Reports (continued)

## II. Foreign Student Affairs Committee (Brady) -

## a) MOTION: Duly made, and passed:

"To adopt the following Bylaw change:

"That the Foreign Student Affairs Committee be renamed the International Student Affairs Committee."

## b) MOTION: Duly made, and passed:

"That the description of the mandate of the International Student Affairs Committee be modified to read as follows:

b) to advise the Dean of Students, the Director of the International Student Services Office, and other appropriate administrative officers of the College in matters pertaining to international [foreign] students."

N.B. New language underlined; word to be deleted in brackets.

## III. Executive Committee (Alsop) -

## a) Nominations to fill vacant Graduate student seat on the Nominating Committee. There were no nominations.

## b) MOTION: Duly made:

"To adopt Response to the Board of Trustees Task Force on Educational Programs and Curriculum " (as distributed).

Chair asked if there was any objection to consider all six motions. There was no objection.

All six motions - adopted.

## IV. Campus Affairs Committee (Lord) -

## a) MOTION: Duly made, and passed:

"To award honorary degrees of Doctor of Humane Letters, to Joseph Brodsky and Toni Morrison, at the 1988 graduation exercises of Queens College." (Biographies distributed today)

## b) MOTION: Duly made:

"Whereas, new union contracts require that Administrative Staff, Librarians, and CLT's work on Election Day and Veterans Day,

Be it resolved, that these two days be restored as possible class days."

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## 4. IV. b) Campus Affairs Committee resolution (continued)

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

"To divide the question."

i. MOTION: Duly made, and passed:

"That Election Day be restored as a possible class day."

ii. MOTION: Duly made, and passed:

"That Veterans Day be restored as a possible class day."

c) MOTION: Duly made (Lord):

"To adopt a three-year Academic Calendar: 1988-1990."

Chair: First item to be considered is the revised calendar for Fall 1988/Spring 1989. (distributed today)  
Spring recess was moved from April 17-22 to March 24-31, as these are the anticipated dates of the Board of Education calendar.

MOTION: Duly made:

"To adopt the calendar for Fall 1988/Spring 1989."

MOTION: Duly made (Pecoraro), and seconded:

"That there be reconfiguration so that no classes are held on Election Day."

Amendment (Leblang) to Pecoraro's Motion: "In reconfiguration, precedence shall be given to September 20th as a class day over the Reading Period Day to make up for no classes on Election Day."

Seeing no further debate on Leblang's amendment, the Chair called for an immediate vote.

Leblang's amendment - passed.

Motion to adopt Pecoraro's Motion, as amended - passed.

Chair: Is there any debate on Calendar Fall 1989/Spring 1990?

MOTION: Duly made (Pecoraro), and seconded:

"That the Calendar be reconfigured so that no classes are held on Election Day for Fall 1989."

MOTION: Duly made (Hechler), and seconded:

"To table Pecoraro's motion."

Pecoraro withdraws his motion; seconder agrees.

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## 4. IV. c) Continuing with Fall 1989/Spring 1990 calendar:

MOTION: Duly made (Hechler), seconded (Pecoraro):

"To recommit to the Campus Affairs Committee the Calendars for the next two years, for the Committee to conduct a survey separately of students and faculty to determine whether classes should be held on Election Day.

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

"To close off debate on Hechler/Pecoraro motion."

Hechler/Pecoraro motion - failed.

Chair: We are now back on the Motion of adopting Fall 1989/Spring 1990 Calendar.

MOTION: Duly made (Pecoraro), seconded:

"That the Fall 1989 calendar be reconfigured, so that there are no classes on Election Day."

Friendly amendment (Frisz), "with preference that August 31st be used as a class day."

Pecoraro accepted the Friendly amendment.

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

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

Pecoraro/Frisz Motion - passed.

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

"To close off debate on Fall 1989/Spring 1990 calendar."

Motion to adopt Fall 1989/Spring 1990 calendar, as amended - passed.

MOTION: Duly made:

"To adopt Fall 1990/Spring 1991 calendar."

MOTION: Duly made (Pecoraro), and seconded:

"That the Fall 1990 Calendar be reconfigured so that there are no classes on Election Day."

Chair ruled Pecoraro's Motion - "out of order."

Pecoraro appealed the ruling of the Chair.

Chair was upheld.

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## 4. IV. c) Continuing with Fall 1990/Spring 1991 calendar:

MOTION: Duly made (Pecoraro), and seconded:

"To table the Fall 1990/Spring 1991 calendar."

Pecoraro's motion 'to table' - failed.

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

"To close off debate on all previous questions."

Motion to adopt Fall 1990/Spring 1991 calendar - passed.

Motion to adopt all three calendars, as perfected - passed.

## V. Nominating Committee (Mandelbaum) -

## A. a) The following faculty were nominated to the Undergraduate Curriculum Committee:

David Thurber	At Large	(to December 1989)
Tamara Evans	) Arts	
Mimi Penchansky	) Arts	

Seeing no further nominations for the At Large seat, the Chair asked the Secretary, "to cast one ballot for the nominee."

The following faculty member was elected to the Arts seat:

Mimi Penchansky	(to December 1989)
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## b) The following students were nominated to the Undergraduate Curriculum Committee:

Nancy Lubin	At Large	(to December 1989)
Debbie Feder	Arts	(to December 1989)

Seeing no further nominations, the Chair asked the Secretary, "to cast one ballot for the nominees."

## B. a) The following faculty were nominated to the Graduate Curriculum Committee:

Johna Leddy	Sci.	(to December 1989)
Rita Swedlow	Ed.	(to December 1989)

Seeing no further nominations, the Chair asked the Secretary, "to cast one ballot for the nominees."

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## V. Nominating Committee (continued)

- B. b) The following student was nominated to the Graduate Curriculum Committee:

Maureen Hantke         Ed.                 (to December 1989)

Seeing no further nominations, the Chair asked the Secretary, "to cast one ballot for the nominee."

OPEN - student Sci. seat (to December 1989) - there were no nominations.

- C. a) The following faculty were nominated to the Graduate Scholastic Standards Committee:

Jacob Rootenberg     Sci.                 (to December 1989)  
Howard Margolis       Ed.                 (to December 1989)

Seeing no further nominations, the Chair asked the Secretary, "to cast one ballot for the nominees."

- b) OPEN - 3 student seats:   Sci. and Arts (to December 1989)  
  SS                   (to December 1988)

- D. a) The following faculty were nominated to the Committee on Undergraduate Admissions and Re-entry Standards:

Harvey Gram            SS                   (to December 1989)  
Jerome Acker           Arts                 (to December 1989)

Seeing no further nominations, the Chair asked the Secretary, "to cast one ballot for the nominees."

- b) The following students were nominated to the Committee on Undergraduate Admissions and Re-entry Standards:

Chaim Katz             Sci.                 (to December 1989)  
Liora Ben-Sorek       SS                   (to December 1988)

Seeing no further nominations, the Chair asked the Secretary, "to cast one ballot for the nominees."

OPEN - student seat         Arts                 (to December 1989)

## E. Campus Affairs Committee:

- a) OPEN - 2 faculty seats                                 (to December 1989).

- b) The following students were nominated to the Campus Affairs Committee:

Jeffrey Rose                                 (to December 1989)  
Stewart Ephraim                             (to December 1989)

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## 4. V. E. b) Campus Affairs Committee student nominations (continued)

Seeing no further nominations, the Chair asked the Secretary,  
"to cast one ballot for the nominees."

## F. a) The following faculty were nominated to the Campus Environment Committee:

Uldis Roze	Sci.	(to December 1989)
Elaine Chapline	SS	(to December 1989)

Seeing no further nominations, the Chair asked the Secretary,  
"to cast one ballot for the nominees."

## b) The following students were nominated from the floor to the Campus Environment Committee:

Debra Oppenheimer	SS	(to December 1989)
Phran Lass	Arts	(to December 1988)

Seeing no further nominations, the Chair asked the Secretary,  
"to cast one ballot for the nominees."

OPEN 2 student seats:	Sci.	(to December 1989)
	At Large	(to December 1988)

## G. a) The following faculty were nominated to the Elections Committee:

Manuel Sanudo	(to December 1989)
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Seeing no further nominations, the Chair asked the Secretary,  
"to cast one ballot for the nominee."

OPEN faculty seat	(to December 1989)
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## b) The following students were nominated to the Elections Committee:

Neelakshi Bhagat	(to December 1989)
Charles Sullivan	(to December 1989)

Seeing no further nominations, the Chair asked the Secretary,  
"to cast one ballot for the nominees."

## H. a) The following faculty were nominated to the Library Committee:

Sheldon Aaronson	(to December 1989)
Marianne Cooper	(to December 1989)

Seeing no further nominations, the Chair asked the Secretary,  
"to cast one ballot for the nominees."

## b) The following student was nominated to the Library Committee:

Linda Ardito	(to December 1989)
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## 4. V. H. b) Library Committee student nominations (continued)

The following student was nominated from the floor:

Scott Samborn (to December 1989)

Seeing no further nominations, the Chair asked the Secretary, "to cast one ballot for the student nominees."

## I. a) The following faculty were nominated to the Policy Board on Administration:

Philip Ramsey (to December 1989)

Seeing no further nominations, the Chair asked the Secretary, "to cast one ballot for the nominee."

OPEN faculty seat (to December 1989)

## b) The following student was nominated to the Policy Board on Administration:

Joseph Lynett (to December 1989)

Seeing no further nominations, the Chair asked the Secretary, "to cast one ballot for the nominee."

OPEN student seat (to December 1988)

## J. a) The following faculty were nominated to the Undergraduate Scholastic Standards Committee:

David Speidel Sci. (to December 1989)

Seeing no further nominations, the Chair asked the Secretary, "to cast one ballot for the nominee."

OPEN faculty SS seat (to December 1989)

## b) The following students were nominated to the Undergraduate Scholastic Standards Committee:

George Burton At large (to December 1989)

Susan Canter At large (to December 1989)

The following student was nominated from the floor for the SGS seat:

Joseph Eisen SGS (to December 1988)

Seeing no further nominations, the Chair asked the Secretary, "to cast one ballot for the nominees."

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4. V. K. a) The following students were nominated to the Special Committee on Governance:

Jeffrey Rose	(to December 1989)
Charles Sullivan	(to December 1989)

Seeing no further nominations, the Chair asked the Secretary, "to cast one ballot for the nominees."

OPEN 2 student seats (to December 1988)

VI. Undergraduate Scholastic Standards Committee (Capobianco) -

A. MOTION: Duly made, and passed:

"Effective with the start of the Fall 1988 semester, the deadline for the P/NC option be moved to the end of the eighth week of the semester, to have it coincide with the deadline for course withdrawal."

B. MOTION: Duly made: (to adopt the following proposal distributed today):

"Whereas, the Senate has recently adopted a program of "Fresh Start" for former student of Queens College who had suffered academic dismissal, and

Whereas, there are students presently in attendance who had been readmitted on probation at least three years after their last period of attendance, and

Whereas, many of these students have done well academically subsequent to being readmitted yet continue to receive notice of academic dismissal because their cumulative grade point average has not reached or exceeded the index required for good standing, and

Whereas, in many instances this has led to students being notified of academic dismissal at the same time they receive notice that they are on the Dean's list, and

Whereas, this serves principally to harrass a student who is now doing acceptable academic work, therefore

Be it resolved, that the Undergraduate Scholastic Standards Committee may, on a case by case basis, separately monitor the progress of these students. The Committee may authorize that the probation indicator, which triggers the notice of academic dismissal, be lifted so long as the student maintains a semester grade point average of no less than 2.25."

(MORE)

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## 4. VI. B. Undergraduate Scholastic Standards Committee proposal (continued)

Editorial Change (D. Fields): "To delete the word, 'these' before the word, 'students' in the last paragraph, and add the following words, after the word 'students' (as in paragraph two): 'students presently in attendance who had been readmitted on probation at least three years after their last period of attendance'."

Editorial change accepted by Mr. Capobianco

Motion to adopt "Fresh Start" proposal with editorial change - passed.

## VII. Committee on Undergraduate Admission and Re-entry Standards (Jacobowitz)

MOTION: Duly made, and passed:

"To adopt the "Fresh Start" proposal, as distributed" (see attachment)

## VIII. Special Committee on Governance (Fields) -

MOTION: Duly made, and passed:

"To amend the BYLAWS, Article VIII, Section 2, as follows:  
(new material underlined)

## Section 2. Departmental Faculty Senators

Departments shall hold special elections as required to fill vacant Senator seats. Department Chairperson shall serve as Senator pro tempore, with full rights, until the department fills the vacancy."

There was no further business. The agenda was completed.

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

"To adjourn."

Meeting adjourned at 6:00 p.m. Next Special Meeting of the Academic Senate Thursday, February 4, 1988, at 3:35 p.m.

