

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

December 8, 1988

1. The Holder of the Chair, Ruth H. Frisz, called the meeting to order at 3:55 p.m.
2. Approval of Agenda -
 - a) Chair announced that item 5.D, Campus Affairs Committee Report, has been withdrawn by the Committee.
 - b) MOTION: Duly made (Schreiber), seconded and passed:

"To amend the agenda, item 5.E, Undergraduate Scholastic Standards Committee: and make proposal for Change of Policy for Freshman Grading as item i); proposal for Modification of Withdrawal from Courses as item ii); proposal on Retention, Dismissal, and Re-entry Standards for undergraduates as item iii)."
- Seeing no further amendments, the agenda was adopted - as amended.
3. Approval of Minutes -
 - a) MOTION: Duly made, and passed:

"To adopt Academic Senate meeting minutes of October 13, 1988, as distributed."
 - b) MOTION: Duly made, and passed:

"To adopt Academic Senate meeting minutes of October 27, 1988, as distributed."
 - c) MOTION: Duly made, and passed:

"To adopt Academic Senate meeting minutes of November 3, 1988, as distributed."
4. Announcements, Administrative Reports, and Memorials -

Executive Committee acted for the full Senate at its May 19, 1988, meeting with the approval of the following proposal for incoming students and continuing students in the Fall 1988 registration:

"BE IT RESOLVED, that the Academic Senate approve the questionnaire composed of two questions, one on ethnicity/race, one on disability, to enable the College and University to improve the data base for federal and state reporting requirements on the understanding that all information collected is confidential as indicated on the questionnaire."

This proposal and questionnaire was distributed with our May 12, 1988, Academic Senate meeting agenda, but was not acted on at that time.

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5. Committee Reports:

I. Nominating Committee (Tortora and Taler) -

- A. The following faculty member was nominated to fill a vacant seat in the Arts Division on the College Committee on Honors and Awards:

Barbara Weinberg (to 1991).

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

- B. The following faculty members were nominated to the Undergraduate Admissions and Re-entry Standards Committee:

Robert Calhoon	(Sci.)	(to 1990)
Gerald Itzkowitz	(at large)	(to 1990)

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

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

Liora Ben-Sorek	(SS)	(to 1990)
Esllyn Persaud	(at large)	(to 1990)

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

There is one open student seat in the Arts Div. (to 1989)

- C. The following faculty members were nominated to the Campus Affairs Committee:

Elaine Ludman	(to 1990)
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The following faculty member was nominated from the floor:

Nancy Macomber	(to 1990)
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Seeing no further nominations, the Chair asked the Secretary, "to cast one ballot for the nominees."

The following students were nominated to the Campus Affairs Committee:

Sihame Keghida	(to 1989)
Malvina Levin	(to 1990)

The following student was nominated from the floor:

Elizabeth Gould	(to 1990)
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Seeing no further nominations, the Chair asked the Secretary, "to cast one ballot for the nominees."

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5. I. Nominating Committee Report (continued)

- D. The following faculty members were nominated to the At Large seat on the Campus Environment Committee:

David Locke (to 1990)

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

There are two open student seats on the Campus Environment Committee: Arts seat (to 1990) and the At Large seat (to 1990).

- E. The following students were nominated from the floor to the Course and Faculty Evaluation Committee:

Arlene Persaud (to 1990)

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

There are two open seats: one faculty (to 1990), one student (to 1989).

- F. The following faculty were nominated to the Graduate Curriculum Committee:

Barbara Strodt	Arts seat	(to 1990)
Linda Edwards	SS seat	(to 1990)

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

There are three open student seats: Sci. (to 1989), SS (to 1990). and Arts (to 1990).

- G. The following faculty were nominated to the Undergraduate Curriculum Committee:

Nancy Hemmes	Sci. seat	(to 1990)
Keith Eubank	SS seat	(to 1990)

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

The following students were nominated from the floor to the Undergraduate Curriculum Committee:

Felicia Stockert	Sci. seat	(to 1990)
Deborah Riegel	SS seat	(to 1990)

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

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5. I. Nominating Committee (continued)

- H. The following faculty were nominated from the floor to the Elections Committee:

Carol Maus (to 1990)

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

There are four open seats on the Elections Committee: two faculty seats one (to 1989), and one (to 1990). and two student seats (to 1990).

- I. The following faculty were nominated to the International Student Affairs Committee:

Charles Cairns (to 1990)
Amy Tucker (to 1990)

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

The following students were nominated to the International Student Affairs Committee:

Betty Chang (to 1990)

The following student was nominated from the floor:

Shubha Shenoy (to 1989)

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

There is one open student seat on the International Student Affairs Committee (to 1990).

- J. The following faculty were nominated to the Library Committee:

Jon Sperling (to 1990)

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

The following student was nominated to the Library Committee:

Andrea Persaud (to 1990)

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

There are two open student seats on the Library Committee (to 1989).

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5. I. Nominating Committee (continued)

- K. The following faculty were nominated to the Policy Board on Administration:

Stephen Hechler (to 1990)

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

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

George Burton (to 1990)

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

There are two open student seats on the Policy Board on Administration (to 1989).

- L. The following faculty were nominated from the floor to the Graduate Scholastic Standards Committee:

Renee Tjoumas	SS seat	(to 1990)
Lois Schneider	Arts seat	(to 1990)

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

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

David Pecoraro	Ed. seat	(to 1990)
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There are three open student seats on the Graduate Scholastic Standards Committee: Sci. (to 1989), Arts (to 1989), SS (to 1990).

- M. The following faculty were nominated to the Undergraduate Scholastic Standards Committee:

Drora Pershing	Arts seat	(to 1990)
Patricia Fleming	At Large seat	(to 1990)
Lucile Perryman	At Large seat	(to 1990)

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

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

Rena Baretz	At Large seat	(to 1990)
Vijaya Panday	Day seat	(to 1990)

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

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5. I. Nominating Committee (continued)

- M. The following student was nominated from the floor for the At Large seat on the Undergraduate Scholastic Standards Committee:

Michael Guglielmo (to 1990)

Chair: Vote for one student in the At Large seat.

The following student was elected to the At Large seat: Rena Baretz.

There is one open student SGS seat (to 1990).

- N. The following faculty were nominated to the Special Committee on Governance:

Lawrence Rosenfield

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

The following student was nominated from the floor:

Helen Fliegelman

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

II. Graduate Curriculum Committee (Chesebro) -

(Graduate Curriculum Committee proposals dated November 1, 1988, as distributed):

Major Items:

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

"To adopt new course in Chemistry, 793. Tutorial in Chemistry."

- b) MOTION: Duly made, and passed: (page 1)

"To adopt new course in Communication Arts and Sciences: Media Studies, 751. Methodology in Media Research."

- c) MOTION: Duly made, and passed: (pages 2,3)

"To adopt new courses in Communication Arts and Sciences: Communication Sciences, 710. Physiological Acoustics; 731. Language Disorders: Adults II.

- d) MOTION: Duly made, and passed: (pages 3,4)

"To adopt new course in Sociology, 791. Tutorial; 792. Research."

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5. II. Graduate Curriculum Committee proposals dated November 1, 1988
(continued)

Minor Changes:

MOTION: Duly made, and passed: (page 5)

"To adopt minor change in course in Home Economics."

III. Undergraduate Curriculum Committee (Thurber) -
(Undergraduate Curriculum Committee proposals (I) dated October 25,
1988, as distributed):

Major Items:

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

"To adopt new course in Computer Science, 318. Introduction
to Computer Graphics."

Minor Changes:

a) MOTION: Duly made, and passed: (pages 2,3,4)

"To adopt minor changes in courses in Biology, Chemistry,
Computer Science, and Mathematics."

b) MOTION: Duly made, and passed: (page 5)

"To adopt Additions to "Listing of Courses Satisfying the Queens
College Liberal Arts and Sciences Area Requirements": Physical
and Biological Sciences - A: Chemistry 10, Thermochemistry."Undergraduate Curriculum Committee proposals (II), dated October 25,
1988, as distributed:

Minor Changes:

a) MOTION: Duly made, and passed: (pages 1,2,3)

"To adopt minor changes in number, title, prerequisite and
description in Art courses."

IV. A. Undergraduate Scholastic Standards Committee (Perryman) -

a) MOTION: Duly made:

"To adopt proposal for Change of Policy for Freshman Grading,
as follows:"Whereas, current policy of first semester grading is restricted
to degree (matriculated) freshmen students in four categories, andWhereas, this policy denies to nondegree students the protection
afforded degree students, especially students such as those in
the High Jump program and Townsend Harris High School, and

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5. IV. A. Undergraduate Scholastic Standards Committee proposal for Change of Policy for Freshman Grading (continued)

"Whereas, other nondegree students frequently are returning to an academic environment after a long absence, therefore

Therefore, be it resolved, that the policy as it appears in current Academic Senate Policy under Curriculum, Section I, Grading Policy, part B - Freshman Grading, which reads:

1. All failing grades for first semester Freshman shall be recorded as NC. First semester freshman shall be defined for this purpose as:
 - a) A full time student during the first semester in residence at Queens College. The only exception shall be for a Fall semester entrant who chooses to attend the immediately preceding Summer Session. In such cases NC shall be recorded for F's received in both the Summer Session and the Fall semester of entry.
 - b) A part-time student only during that time in which the first nine credits are attempted at Queens College.
 - c) A full-time transfer student with fewer than 12 credits from any institution of higher learning during their first semester at Queens College. *the only exception shall be for a Fall semester entrant as in a) above.
 - d) A part-time transfer student with fewer than 12 credits from any institution of higher learning while taking their first nine credits at Queens College.'

shall be changed as follows:

1. All failing grades for first semester students shall be recorded as NC. First semester students shall be defined for this purpose as:
 - a) A full-time student during the first semester in residence at Queens College with fewer than 12 credits from any institution of higher learning. The only exception shall be for a fall semester entrant who chooses to attend the immediately preceding Summer Session. In such cases NC shall be recorded for F's received in both the Summer Session and the Fall semester of entry.
 - b) A part-time student only during that time in which the first twelve credits are attempted at Queens College, and who has fewer than twelve credits from any institution of higher learning.

This policy shall become effective with the start of the Fall 1989 semester."

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5 IV. A. Undergraduate Scholastic Standards Committee proposal for Change of Policy for Freshman Grading (continued)

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

"To close off debate."

Motion - to adopt proposal for Change of Policy for Freshman Grading - passed.

B. MOTION: Duly made:

"To adopt Undergraduate Scholastic Standards Committee proposal for Modification of Withdrawal from Courses, as follows:

"Whereas, Queens College is alone in the City University permitting unevaluated withdrawals from courses beyond the third week of the semester, and

Whereas, this practice is costly in terms of unproductive effort on the part of student and faculty, and

Whereas, the practice is disruptive to the class and deleteriously affects morale, and

Whereas, this practice is costly to the student who withdraws after the third week with loss of tuition, time, and effort, and

Whereas, the period of three weeks is judged adequate by the University as a period in which students may determine the desirability of remaining in or dropping from a course, and

Whereas, the practice has lowered the esteem of the College with a concomitant negative effect upon our alumni,

Therefore, be it resolved that paragraph B, the first sentence of paragraph C, and paragraph B of Article VI in the section on The Curriculum of the Academic Senate Policies which reads:

'B. After the third week of each Fall and Spring semester and through the eighth week of those semesters and during the second and third weeks of Summer Session, a student shall be able to withdraw from a course through the Registrar's Office; however, the course will appear on the record with a W and no refund of tuition will be possible. Instructors shall be informed of these withdrawals.

C. After the eighth week of each Fall and Spring semester and after the first week of Intersession and third week of Summer Session up to the last day of regularly scheduled classroom instruction in the Fall and Spring semesters and prior to the last day of Intersession and Summer Session, a student shall be able to withdraw from a course only after requesting permission from the Undergraduate Scholastic Standards Committee.

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5. IV. B. Proposal for Modification for Withdrawal from Courses (continued)

'E. Students who withdraw from all courses, either one at a time or all at once, through the Office of the Registrar from the fourth through the eighth week of the Fall or Spring semester, shall be considered as withdrawn from all courses and their transcripts shall show grades of W.'

be changed as follows:

"B. This paragraph deleted.

C. After the third week of each fall and spring semester and after the first week of Intersession and Summer Session up to the last day of regularly scheduled classroom instruction in the Fall and Spring semesters and prior to the last day of Intersession and Summer Session, a student shall be able to withdraw from a course only after requesting permission from the Undergraduate Scholastic Standards Committee.

E. This paragraph deleted.

This policy change shall become effective with the start of the Fall 1989 semester."

MOTION: Duly made (S. Canter), seconded and passed:

"To close off debate."

Motion - to adopt proposal for Modification of Withdrawal from Courses - failed.

C. MOTION: Duly made:

"To adopt Undergraduate Scholastic Standards Committee proposal for change of Retention, Dismissal and Re-entry Standards for Undergraduates, as follows:

"Whereas, it is the view of the Undergraduate Scholastic Standards Committee that the prohibition and proscription applied to students on extended probation should serve a pedagogical purpose rather than a purely punitive one,

Therefore, be it resolved that Section C, 2b, sub-paragraph i, of the Academic Senate policies on Retention, Dismissal and Re-entry Standards for Undergraduates, which reads:

'No more than one semester of extended probation shall be granted if during the semester of extended probation the student: i: received grades other than A,B,C,D,F,NC,P,R, and Z, and...'

be changed to read: "i: received grades other than A,B,C,D,F,NC,P,R, W, and Z, and..."

(MORE)

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5. IV. C. Undergraduate Scholastic Standards Committee proposal for change of Retention, Dismissal and Re-entry Standards for Undergraduates (continued)

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

Motion - to adopt proposal for change of Retention, Dismissal and Re-entry Standards for Undergraduates - passed.

6. There was no new business.

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

"To adjourn."

Meeting adjourned at 5:10 p.m. Next Regular Academic Senate meeting on Thursday, February 9, 1989, at 3:35 p.m.

