

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

February 9, 1989

1. The Holder of the Chair, Ruth H. Frisz, called the meeting to order at 3:40 p.m.

2. Approval of Agenda -

The agenda was adopted - as distributed.

3. Approval of Minutes -

MOTION: Duly made, and passed:

"To adopt Academic Senate meeting minutes of December 8, 1988, as distributed."

4. Announcements, Administrative Reports, and Memorials -

- a) At its meeting on January 26, 1989, the Executive Committee acted for the full Academic Senate to elect Andrea Arikian Finno to fill the Arts seat on the Search Committee for Dean of Graduate Studies and Research.

- b) At its meeting on January 26, 1989, the Executive Committee acted for the full Academic Senate to adopt the following resolution presented by the Film Discussion Series Organizing Committee:

"Whereas, Queens College is committed to the ideals of social justice for which James Earl Chaney, Andrew Goodman, and Michael Schwerner gave their lives, and

Whereas, a series of events in commemoration of the twenty-fifth anniversary of their death will be hosted at the College in the Spring of 1989, therefore

Be it resolved, that the Academic Senate will co-sponsor a commemorative film-discussion series during the Spring of 1989, together with the Office of the President, the Student Union, the Dean of Students Office, and various student organizations to honor their memory, to inform a new generation of young people about the interracial alliances of the past, and to inspire them to join the ongoing struggle for social justice."

- c) Dr. Gary Gumpert (Communications Arts and Sciences) read In Memoriam statement for Professor Emeritus John B. Newman.

The Senate paid its respects by rising for a moment of silence. Memorial Resolution - passed, (see attachment).

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4. Announcements, Administrative Reports and Memorials (continued)
- d) Mrs. Barbara J. Emerson, Associate Dean of Special Programs, addressed the Academic Senate, and took questions.

5. Committee Reports:

A. Executive Committee (Alsop) -

MOTION: Duly made:

"To adopt proposal for Procedure for Evaluation of Research Institutes."

Amendment (Boylan) - "To delete the words, 'and Centers'."

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

Proposal for Procedure for Evaluation of Research Institutes - passed.

- B. Undergraduate Curriculum Committee (Thurber) -
(Undergraduate Curriculum Committee proposals dated December 1, 1988, as distributed).

Minor Changes:

- a) MOTION: Duly made, and passed:

"To adopt minor change in current 1988-89 Bulletin, under Merchandising: Home Economics 226 change to Home Economics 228."

- b) MOTION: Duly made, and passed:

"To adopt the following resolution submitted by the ACE Program:

"Whereas, the ACE Program provides the structure for a time-proven alternative track to the Baccalaureate degree consisting of some 40 credits of basic ACE seminars, and

Whereas, these liberal arts seminars are carefully distributed and integrated as a pedagogically sound unit, and since these seminars are the foundation of an ACE student's curriculum and should require optimum scholarship, therefore

Be it resolved, that the P/NC option is not available on the following basic ACE seminars:

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5. B. b) Undergraduate Curriculum Committee ACE Program resolution (continued)

ACE E01.	Introduction to College Writing
ACE E1.	English Composition I.
ACE E2.	English Composition II.
ACE E3.	Studies in Literature
ACE E4.	Studies in Arts and Music
ACE E15.	Social Science Seminar I.
ACE E16.	Social Science Seminar II.
Biology E8.	Fundamentals of Biology
Chemistry E15.	Chemistry for Today
Psychology E101.	General Psychology."

C. Special Committee on Governance (Fields) -

NOTE: For the following amendments to the Charter and Bylaws, all words in [brackets] are to be deleted, and all words underlined are to be added.

Be it resolved, that the Academic Senate of Queens College requests that the Board of Trustees approve the following amendments to the Charter of the Queens College Academic Senate:

I. a) MOTION: Duly made: (To amend Section II-B, as follows):

"B. Students - 30 [in good standing] who have a cumulative index of at least 2.0 and are not on probaton."

MOTION: Duly made (A. Gilbert), and seconded:

"To refer the amendment back to Committee."

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

Gilbert's motion - failed.

Motion to amend Section II-B - passed.

b) MOTION: Duly made, and passed: (To amend Section VIII-A, as follows):

"A. Committee membership shall be open to all members of the instructional staff and to all students [in good standing] who have a cumulative index of at least 2.0 and are not on probation "

II. Bylaw Amendments:

a) MOTION: Duly made, and passed: (To amend Senate Bylaws Article VII, Section 9, as follows):

"9. Students elected to Academic Senate Committees must [be in good standing] have a cumulative index of at least 2.0 and not be on probation at the time of their election.

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5. C. II. Bylaw Amendments (continued)

b) MOTION: Duly made, and passed: (To amend Senate Bylaws Article VII, Section 18, as follows):

"18. Upon determination by the Executive Committee that a student member of an Academic Senate Committee [is not in good standing] did not have a 2.0 cumulative index or was on probation at the time of election to the committee, that member's seat shall be declared vacant in accordance with Section 9 of these Bylaws and the Nominating Committee shall be immediately notified of this vacancy."

The Charter amendment listed below corrects the difference between the Bylaws and the Charter regarding the service of students on Senate Committees.

Be it resolved, that the Academic Senate requests that the Board of Trustees approve the following amendments to the Charter of the Queens College Academic Senate.

III. MOTION: Duly made, and passed: (To amend the Charter, Section VIII-F, as follows):

[F. No student shall serve on more than one committee of the Academic Senate at one time.]

"F. A person may not serve as a voting member on more than two Academic Senate Committees of which only one can be a standing committee."

IV. MOTION: Duly made, and passed: (To amend Charter Section XI-D-1, as follows):

"1. At the beginning of [the fourth] every fifth year of a Dean's term, a Committee (the composition of which shall correspond to the composition of the Search Committee) shall be elected by the Academic Senate to review the Dean's performance through confidential consultations with departmental chairpeople, program directors, and other persons who are in a position to comment knowledgeably on the Dean's performance. The Review Committee will then make a confidential report to the President including a recommendation for or against continued [re]appointment. Investigations of the Review Committee shall be conducted with the strictest confidentiality. The findings of the Review Committee shall be reported to the President no later than [October 1] May 30 of [the fourth] every fifth year of the Dean's term."

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5. C. V. Charter Amendments (continued)

MOTION: Duly made, and passed: (To amend Charter Section XI-D-3, as follows):

"3. The term "Dean" in the above section refers to all full Deans. [specifically to the Deans of the undergraduate Academic Divisions, the Dean of the School of Education, the Dean of Students, the Dean of the School of General Studies, and the Dean of Graduate Studies and Research.]"

VI. MOTION: Duly made, and passed: (To amend the Charter by adding a new Section XI-E, as follows):

"E. Review of the Provost:

At the beginning of every fifth year of the Provost's term a Committee (the composition of which shall correspond to the composition of a Dean's Search Committee) shall be elected by the Academic Senate to review the Provost's performance through confidential consultations with departmental chairpeople, program directors, and other persons who are in a position to comment knowledgeably on the Provost's performance. The Review Committee will then make a confidential report to the President including a recommendation for or against continued appointment. Investigations of the Reveiw Committee shall be conducted with the strictest confidentiality. The findings of the Review Committee shall be reported to the President no later than May 30th of every fifth year of the Provost's term."

VII. MOTION: Duly made, and passed: (To amend the Charter by adding a new Section XI-F, as follows):

"At the beginning of every fifth year of the Chief Librarian's term a Committee (the composition of which shall correspond to the composition of a Dean's Search Committee) shall be elected by the Academic Senate to review the Chief Librarian's performance through confidential consultations with departmental chairpeople, program directors, and other persons who are in a position to comment knowledgeably on the Chief Librarian's performance. The Review Committee will then make a confidential report to the President including a recommendation for or against continued appointment. Investigations of the Review Committee shall be conducted with the strictest confidentiality. The findings of the Review Committee shall be reported to the President no later than May 30th of every fifth year of the Chief Librarian's term."

VIII. MOTION: Duly made: (To amend the Charter by deleting Section X, which reads, as follows):

"[Section X - Agenda for regular meetings, and when possible for special meetings of the Academic Senate, shall be published in the College newspaper at least one week before the meeting. A summary of action taken shall be published as soon as possible after each regular or special meeting.]"

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5. VIII. Charter amendments (continued)

MOTION: Duly made (Hechler), and seconded:

"To refer proposal for amendment to delete Charter Section X, back to Committee."

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

Hechler's motion - failed.

Motion 'to amend Charter by deleting Section X' - passed.

- XI. MOTION: Duly made, and passed: (To amend Bylaw, Article IV, Section 8, making reference to neutral gender, as follows):

"The Holder of the Chair shall assume any other powers assigned to her/him by the Senate or the Executive Committee which are not in conflict with the Queens College Academic Senate Charter or these Bylaws."

- X. MOTION: Duly made: (To amend Bylaw Article IV, Section 10, making reference to neutral gender, as follows):

"Upon the incapacity of the Holder of the Chair, or upon her/his resignation, the Deputy Holder of the Chair shall assume the position of Holder of the Chair with all powers and responsibilities thereof."

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

Motion to adopt Bylaw amendment to Article IV, Section 10 - failed.

- XI. MOTION: Duly made, and passed: (To amend Bylaw Article VII, Section 21, relating to committee reports required of Senate Committees, as follows):

'[Each standing committee shall submit an annual report to the Executive Committee of the Academic Senate not later than November 1st. Each special and college-wide committee shall submit an annual report to the Executive Committee not later than March 1st. These reports shall contain but need not be limited to dates of the meeting, the names of all persons who have served on the committee during the year, matter which the committee has considered, and all actions taken. All motions which require Academic Senate action shall be separated from the report.]'

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5. XI. Bylaw amendment to Article VII, Section 21 to read, as follows:

"21. Each Committee of the Academic Sente shall submit the minutes of its meetings to the Executive Committee. The minutes shall be sent to the Executive Committee as soon as they are adopted by the Senate Committee in question. Ad hoc committees shall submit minutes of their meetings in the same manner as Academic Senate Committees. The minutes of all Senate and ad-hoc committees shall be available in the Academic Senate Office for review by all members of the College community."

Be it resolved that the Board of Trustees make the following amendment to the Academic Senate Charter:

XII. MOTION: Duly made, and passed: (To amend Charter Section II-F-c, as follows):

"c) the Presidents of the Day Session, School of General Studies, [and] Graduate, ACE and SEEK Student governments."

This amendment provides for ex officio (nonvoting) membership of the Academic Senate.

XIII. MOTION: Duly made, and passed: (To amend Bylaw Article VII, Section 24-A-2-c-6, as follows):

"[6. Serve as an ex officio member of the Academic Senate and the Undergraduate Scholastic Standards Committee.]

6. There was no new business.

MOTION: Duly made (A. Gilbert), seconded and passed:

"To adjourn."

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

