

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

February 7, 1991

1. The Holder of the Chair, Ruth Frisz, called the meeting to order at 3:50 p.m.

2. Approval of Agenda -

a) MOTION: Duly made (J. Burton), seconded and passed:

"To amend the agenda to add under Special Motions, as item 4-a, a resolution regarding the budget."

b) MOTION: Duly made (J. Burton), seconded and passed:

"To amend the agenda to add under Committee Reports, as item 5-c, nomination and election to fill an open student seat on the Executive Committee."

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

3. Approval of Minutes -

a) MOTION: Duly made:

"To adopt Academic Senate meeting minutes of November 8, 1990, as distributed."

Amendment (Lord) - "To delete amendment withdrawn by D. Pecoraro, on page 21."

Seeing no further changes, the minutes of November 8, 1990, were adopted as amended.

b) MOTION: Duly made, and passed:

"To adopt Academic Senate meeting minutes of November 29, 1990, as distributed."

c) MOTION: Duly made:

"To adopt Academic Senate meeting minutes of December 6, 1990, as distributed."

Amendment (Lord) - "To delete amendment withdrawn by M. Franco, on page 38."

Seeing no further changes, the minutes of December 6, 1990, were adopted as amended.

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## 4. Announcements, Administrative Reports, and Memorials -

The Chair reported on the status of the "F" grade. Our waiver request has not been submitted to the Board of Trustees. Vice-Chancellor Goldstein is looking into the issue.

## 5. Special Motions -

MOTION: Duly made (J. Burton), and seconded:

"To adopt the following resolution:

"Whereas, the proposed New York State Fiscal Budget 1991-92 contains a \$51.5 million lump sum cut for The City University of New York, and

Whereas, the aforementioned budget proposes to make up half of these cuts through a \$500 tuition increase, and

Whereas, the proposed budget contains cuts in TAP grants of up to \$400 per student, and

Whereas, the proposed budget would eliminate Empire and Regents scholarships and indefinitely postpone the establishment of Liberty scholarships, and

Whereas, the cuts in CUNY funding would result in drastic reductions in faculty, class sections and campus services, and

Whereas, the proposed tuition increase comes less than two months following a \$200 tuition increase, thus resulting in an over 50% tuition increase in one year; and

Whereas, the combined effect of the two tuition increases and the scholarship and financial aid reductions would cause severe hardships to Queens College students, and

Whereas, such hardships would inevitably force many students to drop out and would limit the educational opportunities for many other New Yorkers, now therefore be it

Resolved, that the Queens College Academic Senate calls upon the State Legislature and Governor Cuomo to recommit themselves to the CUNY vision of quality higher education being made available to the working class of New York City, and be it further

Resolved, that the Academic Senate calls upon the Legislature and the Governor to restore complete financing for CUNY to the 1991-92 State Budget, and to restore Empire and Regent Scholarships, full funding for TAP grants, and to begin the Liberty Scholarship program.

Copies of this resolution shall be sent to Governor Cuomo, the chairs of the State Senate and Assembly Higher Education Committees, and to the members of the Queens County State Legislative delegation."

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## 5. Special Motions - Resolution (continued)

Editorial change: (Ludman) - "To change the word, 'financing', (in the last 'Resolved' paragraph), to the word, "funding."

Seeing no further debate, the chair called for an immediate vote on the Resolution.

Resolution - passed, with editorial change.

## 6. Committee Reports -

## I. Executive Committee:

MOTION: Duly made (J. Burton), seconded and passed:

"If circumstances in the University permit a calendar with a starting date of August 28, 1991, that calendar will supersede the calendar for Fall 1991, passed at the Academic Senate meeting on December 6, 1990." (see attachment).

## II. Committee on Honors and Awards - Subcommittee on Honorary Degrees:

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

"To award honorary degrees at the Queens College commencement ceremony June 1991, to the following:

John Birks "Dizzy" Gillespie, Doctor of Music, Honoris Causa.  
Raymond C. Kurzweil, Doctor of Science, Honoris Causa.

## III. Nominations for open student seat on the Executive Committee -

The following students were nominated:

David Levine  
Maryann Maltese

The following student was elected: Maryann Maltese.

IV. A. Undergraduate Curriculum Committee (Thurber) -  
(Undergraduate Curriculum Committee proposals dated November 15, 1990, as distributed):

Major Items:

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

"To adopt new course No. 228 American Politics and Film."

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## 6. IV. A. Undergraduate Curriculum Committee proposals dated November 15, 1990, (continued)

## Minor Changes:

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

"To adopt minor changes in Communication Arts and Sciences courses (pages 2,3,4); in Computer Science courses (pages 5,6,7,8); Health and Physical Education courses (pages 9,10,11)."

## B. Undergraduate Curriculum Committee proposals dated December 13, 1990, as distributed:

## Major Items:

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

"To adopt new course in Political Science No. 227 Revolution, Politics and Film."

## Minor Changes:

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

"To adopt minor changes in Byzantine and Modern Greek Studies course (page 2); in Economics courses (pages 2,3); Germanic, Slavic, and East European Languages courses (pages 4,5); Health and Physical Education course; Mathematics courses (pages 6,7,8,9); Aaron Copland School of Music courses (pages 10, 11, 12,13,14,15); Romance Languages courses (pages 16,17)."

Correction (page 6) last sentence in paragraph TO READ: Computer Science course to read No. 361.

## V. Committee on Undergraduate Admissions and Re-entry Standards (Itzkowitz) - Three-year report on FRESH START POLICY as mandated by the Academic Senate on December 12, 1987 (as distributed).

## a) MOTION: Duly made (Mansfield), seconded and passed:

"To refer report back to Committee for specific statistical information and for specific recommendations."

## b) Dr. Frisz took the opportunity to thank Dr. Jason Jacobowitz for his dedication and commitment to the Committee on Undergraduate Admissions and Re-entry Standards during his tenure as Executive Officer.

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

"To adjourn."

Seeing no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 4:30 p.m. Next Regular Academic Senate meeting on Thursday March 14, 1991, at 3:35 p.m.

