

MINUTES OF THE ACADEMIC SENATE OF QUEENS COLLEGE

November 10, 1994

Kiely Hall - room 170

1. The Holder of the Chair, David Speidel, called the meeting to order at 3:55 p.m.

2. Approval of Agenda -

a) MOTION: Duly made:

"To amend the agenda, and delete item 2 - Approval of Academic Senate meeting minutes of October 13, 1994."

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

"To amend the agenda to add a Memorial Statement for Dr. Arthur Paskin (Physics)."

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

"To amend the agenda to add a Memorial Statement for alumnus, Dennis Wolfberg (Q.C. graduate 1967)."

d) MOTION: Duly made (Van Capelle), seconded and passed:

"To amend the agenda to add under Special Motions the nomination and election of a Deputy Holder of the Chair."

e) MOTION: Duly made (Van Capelle), seconded and passed:

"To amend the agenda to add under Special Motions the nomination and election of a student to fill a vacant seat on the Executive Committee."

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

"To amend the agenda to add under Special Motions a resolution regarding Governor Mario Cuomo."

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

3. Announcements, Administrative Reports, and Memorials -

a) A Memorial Statement for Physics Professor Arthur Paskin, who died on September 26, 1994, was made by Professor Mark Miksic (see attachment)

The Academic Senate paid its respects by rising for a moment of silence.

b) A Memorial Statement for alumnus, Dennis Wolfberg, who died on October 4, 1994, was made by David Pecoraro (see attachment).

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3. Announcements, Administrative Reports, and Memorials (continued)

c) Chair announced:

- i. The Board of Trustees of CUNY is having a Queens Borough Public Hearing on December 7, 1994, at 6:00 p.m. If you wish to testify, please contact the Academic Senate with a written statement.
- ii. The Executive Committee has authorized the establishment of Review Committees for the Dean of Mathematics and Natural Sciences (Dean Goldman) and for the Dean of the School of Education (Dean Yoshida). Flyers have been circulated for the faculty. Students should participate.
- iii. Presidential Search Committee has been formed and their first meeting is next week.
- iv. No Smoking Policy is moving forward.
- v. Prof. Sang, Chair of Nominating Committee, informed me that there are very few applications from students for membership on Standing Committees of the Academic Senate for vacant and expired seats.
- vi. Presidential Search Committee guidelines have been included, as requested as an information item, with today's packet.

4. Special Motions:

a) Nomination and election of a Deputy Holder of the Chair:

The following student was nominated - Jose Peralta.

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

b) Nomination and election to fill a vacant student seat on the Executive Committee:

The following student was nominated - Sujit Ramchand

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

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

(a request to call for abstentions was made. There were abstentions)

"To adopt a resolution from the Academic Senate to Governor Cuomo to express its congratulations on the completion of his twelve-year tenure (see attachment).

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5. Committee Reports -

I. Undergraduate Curriculum Committee (Ken Lord) -

A. MOTION: Duly made, and passed:

"To adopt the recommendations dated October 5, 1994, as distributed."

Major Item: (page 1)

New course - Economics No. 351. Financial Markets.

For Information: (page 2)

Withdrawal of Courses in Germanic, Slavic & East European Languages

B. MOTION: Duly made:

"To adopt the recommendations dated October 13, 1994, as distributed."

Major Items: (page 1)

- i. New course in Mathematics - 120. Discrete Mathematics for Computer Science.

Minor Changes: (page 2)

- ii. Change in number, hours, credits and description in 391. Special Problems.

Recommendations on Pages 1 and 2 - passed.

Major Items - New courses in Biology: (pages 7 thru 19)

251. Genetics Laboratory
262. Laboratory Techniques in Cellular and Molecular Biology I.
263. Laboratory Techniques in Cellular and Molecular Biology II.
285. Principles of Genetics.
286. Principles of Cell Biology.

Minor Changes in Biology courses:

- a) change in title, prerequisite and description - course Nos. 43, 330.
- b) Prerequisite changes in the following courses Nos. -
44, 104, 201, 210, 211, 212, 217, 220, 225, 226, 230, 250, 261,
320, 340, 343, 345, 346, 350, 354, 360, 364, 371, 381, 382,
385, 385.4, 386.
- c) change in number and prerequisite: course No. 221.

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5. I. Undergraduate Curriculum Committee recommendations dated October 13, 1994
Minor Changes in Biology courses (continued)

- d) change in number, title, and prerequisite: course No. 265.
 - e) change in title and prerequisite: course No. 372.
 - f) Withdrawal of Courses: 40,41,260,326,342,351,361,362,366,367,370,373.
- Recommendations on pages 7 thru 19 - passed.

C. MOTION: Duly made: (pages 3,4,5,6)

"To adopt Biology Changes in the Major and in Course Requirements."

MOTION: Duly made (Miksic), and seconded:

"To refer Biology Changes in the Major and in Course Requirements, back to Committee."

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

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

Miksic's motion - failed.

Motion to adopt Changes in the Biology Major and in Course Requirements - pages 3,4,5,6 - passed.

II. Graduate Scholastic Standards Committee (Wochinger) -

MOTION: Duly made, and passed:

"To adopt the following resolution:

Be it resolved, that graduate students may withdraw from courses without evaluation during the fourth through the eighth week of the semester, such time frame to be consistent with that for undergraduate withdrawals, and that such withdrawals are to be selected using the telephone registration system and

Be it further resolved, that from the ninth through the thirteenth week the current "Permission for a Graduate Student to Withdraw from a Course" form, which requires the signatures both of the instructor and the graduate advisor be used, and

Be it further resolved, that commencing with the fourteenth week the current policy of using the form and requiring the additional approval of the Assistant to the Provost for Graduate Studies be retained, and

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5. II. Graduate Scholastic Standards resolution (continued)

"Be it further resolved, that this policy shall go into effect for the Fall semester 1995."

III. Undergraduate Scholastic Standards Committee (K. Ritchie)

a) MOTION: Duly made:

"Be it resolved, that beginning with the Spring semester of 1995, Queens College shall conform to The City University of New York Repeat Course Policy."

The Executive Committee divided the Resolution into three separate Motions, as follows:

1. Queens College shall conform to the CUNY 16 credit limit for the Repeat Course Policy.
2. Queens College shall limit the replacement of grades to original grades of "F" or administrative F's.
3. Queens College shall limit the grades that can be used to replace original grades to grades of "C" or better.

Executive Committee Motion No. 1: 16 credit limit

b) Substitute Motion (S. Ramchand) -

"Be it resolved, that beginning with Fall semester of 1995, Queens College shall conform to the following Repeat Course Policy outlined below:

A student may only repeat an individual course once to replace that course grade in his/her Grade Point Average. In this event, any grade received from this repetition supersedes the original grade. A subsequent repetition of that course shall only appear on the student's transcript but shall have no impact on his/her Grade Point Average. A student may only freely exercise this option up to sixteen credits. Any further repetition would require that the student consult with an advisor, who will counsel him/her on the consequences of the repetition."

c) Amendment (K. Lord) - "to delete the words, in the last sentence:

'the student consult with an advisor who will counsel him/her on the consequences of the repetition' and substitute with the words: "receive the permission of the Undergraduate Scholastic Standards Committee."

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5. III. Undergraduate Scholastic Standards Committee Substitute Motion as amended,
(continued)

d) MOTION: Duly made (Lowe), seconded and passed:

"To close off debate on the amendment to the Substitute Motion."

Lord's amendment - passed.

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

"To postpone the resolution until the December 8, 1994, Academic Senate meeting."

There was no further business.

6. MOTION: Duly made (Ludman), seconded and passed.

"To adjourn."

The meeting adjourned at 5:40 p.m. The next Regular Academic Senate meeting is on Thursday, December 8, 1994, at 3:35 p.m.