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

**September 12, 1996** 

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

## 2. Approval of Agenda:

MOTION: Duly made (Pecoraro):

"To adopt the agenda."

The agenda was adopted as distributed.

#### 3. Approval of Minutes:

MOTION: Duly made (Frisz), and passed:

"To adopt Academic Senate minutes of May 9, 1996, as distributed."

MOTION: Duly made (Ludman):

"To adopt Academic Senate minutes of the continuation meeting of May 16, 1996."

Correction (Lord), on page 125, first large paragraph should read, "The basic sequence of writing courses..."

The minutes were adopted as amended.

MOTION: Duly made (Weidman), and passed:

"To adopt Academic Senate minutes of the New Senate meeting of May 16, 1996, as distributed."

# 4. Announcements, Administrative Reports, and Memorials:

1. The Chair announced the need to fill Senator vacancies, mostly Alternates. At the next Academic Senate meeting at 3:35 p.m., he will convene the necessary voting bodies to provide additional Alternates. The Chair will notify the following conveners 10 days before the meeting:

José Peralta - Day students
Jeffrey Cassanova - Evening students
Alexandra Shepard - Graduate students
Donald Passantino - ACE students
Alicia Armogum - SEEK students
Cynthia Carlson - Arts Division
David Speidel - Mathematics & Natural Sciences
Michael Dohan - Social Sciences
Joel Mandelbaum - College Wide at Large

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## 4. Announcements, Administrative Reports, and Memorials (continued):

- 2. President Sessoms spoke on the state of the College and answered questions.
- 3. The Chair introduced deans, administrators, committee chairs and committee members who were attending the meeting.

#### 5. Committee Reports:

# a. Undergraduate Curriculum Committee (Lord):

MOTION: Duly made:

"To adopt the recommendations of the Undergraduate Curriculum Committee dated 6/11/96, pages 1 and 2, as distributed."

Editorial change (Alsop), on page 2, Track II, should read, "Course selection ... Biology-Education Adviser."

MOTION: Duly made (Alsop) and seconded (Speidel):

"To amend Biology, Track II, 2., Mathematics 10 to Mathematics 100, 101, or 111."

MOTION: Duly made (Hechler), seconded (Rothenberg), and failed:

"To change the amendment from Mathematics 100, 101, or 111 to Mathematics 103 or 112."

Original amendment passed.

Recommendations of 6/11/96, pages 1 and 2, were adopted, as amended.

i. Comparative Literature: Change in the major, to read:

The major in comparative literature consists of 12 courses totaling 36 credits, including four approved elective courses...; and five approved courses in comparative literature, including two chosen from 331 through 350...

#### ii. Biology:

Changes to the major concentrations in Biology and Biology Education, to read:

All of the following requirements are subject to modification with the written approval of the department Chair. The following courses are generally required of all biology majors: Biology 107, 108, 285 (Principles of Genetics), and 286 (Principles of Cell Biology), or their equivalents, and fulfillment of either the Track I or Track II requirements below:

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# 5.a. Undergraduate Curriculum Committee (continued):

### Track I: General Biology.

- 1. At least 36 credits in Biology, including the general requirements, with the remainder being in 200- and 300-level courses of which at least 3 must be 300-level courses and at least 5 must be laboratory courses. At least 20 of the biology credits above Biology 107 and 108 must be taken at Queens College. Research courses (390, 391, 395, 396) may not be applied for fulfillment of the major. Course selection must be made in consultation with a departmental adviser.
- 2. At least 30 credits in majors level courses in the following cognate departments: Chemistry and Biochemistry; Computer Science; Family, Nutrition & Exercise Sciences; Geology; Mathematics; Physics, chosen in consultation with an advisor. These must include a minimum of a year of Chemistry (normally Chemistry 113, 114) and Mathematics 111 and 112, or equivalent.

Note: Students wishing to attend health professions schools or to undertake further graduate training must take some or all of the following cognate courses: Chemistry 113, 114, and 251, 252; Physics 121 and 122, or equivalent.

## Track II: Biology-Education.

1. At least 30 credits in Biology, including the general requirements, with the remainder being in 200- and 300-level courses of which at least 2 must be 300-level courses and at least 3 must be laboratory courses. At least 16 of the credits above Biology 107 and 108 must be taken at Queens College. Research courses (390, 391, 395, 396) may not be applied for fulfillment of the major.

Course selection must be made in consultation with the Biology-Education Adviser.

- 2. At least 16 credits in majors level courses in the following cognate departments: Chemistry and Biochemistry; Computer Science; Family, Nutrition & Exercise Sciences; Geology; Mathematics; Physics, chosen in consultation with the advisor. These must include a minimum of a year of Chemistry (normally Chemistry 19, 59) and Mathematics 100, 101 or 111, or equivalent.
- 3. A co-major in the Department of Elementary and Early Childhood Education and Services or a minor in the Department of Secondary Education and Youth Services, as prescribed by a subject matter adviser of the pertinent EECE or SEYS Department.

## MOTION: Duly made and passed:

"To approve the Letter of Intent for a School of Earth and Environmental Sciences and two new degrees."

### MOTION: Duly made and passed:

"In order to receive academic credit, all internships and cooperative education must be supervised by a faculty member and involve either a report or some other appropriate exercise or assignment to be evaluated by the faculty supervisor. All departments must forward internship and cooperative education courses to the Undergraduate Curriculum Committee for reapproval by November 1, 1996."

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## b. Nominating Committee (Sang):

The following student was nominated to fill the student Evening seat on the Nominating Committee:

Joanne Mason (to 1997)

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

#### 6. New Business:

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

"To pass the following resolution:

'Resolved That Queens College add C+ and C- to the list of available grades for graduate courses."

MOTION: Duly made, seconded and passed:

"To adjourn."

The meeting adjourned at 5:27 p.m. The next Regular Academic Senate Meeting will be on October 10, 1996, at 3:35 p.m.