

MINUTES

**Meeting of the Hunter College Senate  
23 October 1996**

	The 336th Meeting of the Hunter College Senate was convened at 4:15 PM in Room W714.	1 2
<b>Presiding:</b>	Barbara L. Hampton, Chair	3
<b>Attendance:</b>	The elected members of the Senate with the exception of those listed in Appendix I.	4 5
<b>Agenda:</b>	The agenda was adopted as distributed.	6
<b>Minutes:</b>	The Minutes of September 18th and October 2nd were approved as distributed.	7
<b>Report by the President:</b>	The following is a summary statement of President Caputo's general report. His report on the proposed reorganization plans is reproduced in Appendix II.	8 9
	He said: "I have two separate reports this afternoon. The first is a general report. I hope that many of you have had the opportunity to go over to 69th Street and participate in the Student Government Organization Fair that is going on today. It is my understanding that it is attracting more and more students. So, if we get done in time, hopefully, you will have the chance to go also. Congratulations to the students who organized it.	10 11 12 13 14 15
	Let me bring you up to date on several things. First, I would like to thank everyone who participated in the Fall Celebration which was concluded over this past weekend, but especially the faculty who participated in the back-to-class sessions despite the fact that we were in near hurricane force winds and rain that particular day, and everyone who had anything to do with the organizational efforts of it. You will be pleased to know that we had over 2,500 individuals at the various events throughout the weekend. I have asked the group that planned this event to come back for a discussion of things that could be changed and improved, and also to propose some dates for next Fall so that we can get the dates generally circulated as early as possible. Again, thank you to everybody.	16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26
	I know you are tired of hearing this, but I am going to mention it one more time in the hopes that my comments will encourage some of you to exercise your civic responsibility. And that is that November 5th is fast approaching. For you as a voter it gives you the opportunity to cast your ballot, and I hope you will all take advantage of that, and make sure that all your significant others, family, and friends, turn out and exercise that responsibility. So be sure to vote.	27 28 29 30 31 32 33
	Now let me give you several specific updates. Some of you may know that there was a roof repair fire at Brookdale on the Monday of Columbus Day weekend. We have had a series of meetings since then to try to address the problems and some of the concerns that have been raised. I have spent time, along with Dean Escott and Vice President Gizis, at Brookdale the other evening at a meeting called by the Student Council down there, followed by another open meeting. So, between the two meetings there is active dialogue going on, and there will be another meeting with groups down there this next Tuesday night also.	34 35 36 37 38 39 40 41 42
	Mr. John Williams has been appointed acting security director. Let me bring you up to date on searches. The urban outreach director search committee is continuing, and I believe they are going to be interviewing eight candidates in the next two weeks or so. They will then recommend finalists to me for that position, and I will be involving them and others when those individuals are brought to campus for final sets of interviews. The security director search continues for permanent placement. I have not heard from that committee since they initially got organized. There was a delay because we had to re-advertise the position. I believe that the conditions have now been met and that the committee is in active deliberations. Hopefully, they will have recommendations for a set of candidates for campus interviews	43 44 45 46 47 48 49 50 51 52 53

in the next month or so. The SEEK director search also continues. The provost has been authorized to begin searches for fifteen faculty members, and she has been in touch with various academic deans and the academic departments. These are searches for 1996-1997. If the budget situation were to improve the hope would be that we will be able to authorize additional searches after the first of the year. If the budget situation were to get worse which is always possible, and in my short time here that has tended to be the case rather than getting exceedingly better, we might have to curtail some of those searches. But, hopefully, we will be in a position to expand the number of faculty. In addition to the faculty searches, the vice president for administration is also doing limited recruitment in key areas in terms of facilities and other appointments within the administrative realm.

I am very pleased to announce a change, and to also congratulate Linda Chin on her new title which is Dean of Staff and Faculty Relations and Special Counsel to the President, that takes place December 1st subsequent to Board action at the next Board meeting. I am pleased to announce that, and to congratulate Linda and thank her for all of her help.

Now an item that I had hoped I could mention and no one would be overly concerned about it because it had stayed cool. But we had a bright sunny day today so that I am sure that those of you in the East and West towers may have a few additional questions about the cooling and chilling situation. As has been posted, we have been assured by DASNY that if we turn the chillers and the temporary chiller off so that they could do the necessary work in October, they would be able to have permanent cooling for us by mid April of next year. Therefore, I have made the decision that it was better to be uncomfortable for a short period of time knowing that, hopefully, in April, May, June, and all of next summer we will have permanent cooling, so that we will not have this problem then. Now, that is dependent on DASNY. We are doing everything we can to keep them to their schedule. We will see how successful we are in the months ahead. I apologize for the uncomfortableness, and contrary to what everyone thinks, the 17th floor and especially the president's office does not have separate air conditioning. So, hopefully, that will solve the problem, and we do appreciate everyone's patience. I know it is difficult. While I am not wishing for a cold winter or a cold fall, I hope that the worst is behind us in terms of the heat.

Those are the items that I wanted to cover before getting into the restructuring and reorganizations proposals. I want to pause for a moment and answer any questions anyone might have."

President Caputo's report on reorganization plans is reproduced in Appendix II.

**Report by the  
Administrative  
Committee:**

Professor Hampton presented the report as follows:

Approved Curriculum Changes  
The following curriculum changes, as listed in the report dated 23 October 1996, were approved as per Senate resolution and were submitted for the Senate's information: Items US-968 (Communication Sciences) and US-969 (Medical Laboratory Sciences).

Additional Nominations for Vacant Seats on the Senate  
Professor Hampton presented the nomination of Asad Rahman for one of the vacant seats reserved for students.

It was moved that the nomination be approved. The motion carried and Mr. Rahman was elected to the Senate.

**Committee  
Reports:**

Nominating Committee  
Dr. Marilyn Rothschild, Chair of the Committee, presented the Report dated 23 October 1996, as distributed, and informed the Senate that one additional nomination for a faculty member from the Schools of Health Professions, Prof. Joyce Pulcini (Nursing), should be added for the Departmental Governance Committee.

It was moved that nominations be closed. The motion carried by hand vote.	111
It was moved that the entire slate be approved as a package. The motion carried by hand vote, and the following were elected:	112 113
<u>Teacher Evaluations Committee</u>	114
Faculty Alternate: Sema Brainin (Curric.&Teaching)	115
<u>Computing &amp; Technology Committee</u>	116
Faculty Alternate: Cullen Schaeffer (Comp.Science)	117
<u>Review Comm. on Distribution and Pluralism &amp; Diversity Requirements</u>	118
Faculty Alternate: William Mayer (Classics)	119
<u>Budget Committee</u>	120
Faculty Alternate: Ada Peluso (Math.)	121
Student: Tim Schiavone (Dance/Art)	122 123
<u>Master Plan Committee</u>	124
Student: David Siroonian	125
<u>Library Committee</u>	126
Faculty from Social Sciences: Stephen Johnston (Urban Affairs)	127
Faculty Alternate: Michael Perna (Romance Lang.)	128
Student: Maria King Schiro (Jr./Religion)	129
<u>Nominating Committee</u>	130
Faculty Alternate: Roger Karapin (Political Science)	131 132
<u>Departmental Governance Committee</u>	133
Faculty from Sciences & Math.: Jane Matthews (Math.)	134
Faculty from Humanities & Arts: Jose Hernandez (B & PR Studies)	135
Faculty from Health Professions: Joyce Pulcini (Nursing)	136
Administrator: Dean Evelyn Gioiella	137
<u>Graduate Academic Requirements Committee</u>	138
Faculty from Social Work: Yvonne Asamoah	139
Faculty Alternate: Ines Miyares (Geography)	140
<u>Calendar Committee</u>	141
Faculty from Social Sciences: Cheryl Harding (Psychology)	142 143
<u>Grade Appeals Committee</u>	144
Student: Maria King Schiro (Jr./Religion)	145
<u>Undergraduate Academic Requirements Committee</u>	146
Student: Hyon K. Kim (Phil.)	147
<b><u>Continued Discussion on Doctoral Program Planning and Faculty Replenishment</u></b>	148
Professor Hampton presented the memorandum, dated 23 October 1996 and distributed at the door, as submitted to President Caputo in accordance with a Senate resolution of October 2nd.	149 150 151
It was moved that the Senate dissolve into a quasi-committee of the whole to further discuss the draft report of the Ad hoc Working Group on Doctoral Program Planning and Doctoral Faculty Replenishment.	152 153 154
The motion carried by hand vote.	155
The Senate reconvened in formal session at 5:25 P.M.	156
Professor Carter moved "that the body adopt the statement expressed in the memorandum to President Caputo as its own".	157 158

APPENDIX III

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Office of the Provost

Net Loss of Personnel during 1995 and 1996 due to the following reasons: retrenchment, resignations, retirements, deaths, non-reappointments.

A. Instructional Faculty

<u>Programs in Education</u>	<u>Total</u>	<u>% Loss Since 1994</u>
Curriculum & Teaching:	5	19%
Educational Foundations:	6	
Health & Physical Education:	1	
Special Education:	2	
Academic Skills:	<u>2</u>	
Total:	16	
<b># of Faculty (9/94)      84</b>		
 <u>Health Sciences</u>	 4	 12%
<b># of Faculty (9/94)      34</b>		
 <u>Humanities &amp; Arts</u>		 8%
Art:	1	
Classics & Oriental Stud.:	1	
Communications:	1	
English:	4	
Music:	2	
Romance Languages:	4	
Theatre & Film:	<u>1</u>	
Total:	14	
<b># of Faculty (9/94)      173</b>		
 <u>Nursing</u>	 7	 23%
<b># of Faculty (9/94)      30</b>		
 <u>Sciences &amp; Mathematics</u>		 9%
Biology:	2	
Chemistry:	1	
Computer Science:	1	
Geology & Geography:	3	
Physics:	<u>1</u>	
Total:	8	
<b># of Faculty (9/94)      87</b>		
 <u>Social Sciences</u>		 8%
Anthropology:	2	
Economics:	1	
History:	1	
Psychology:	1	
Sociology:	2	
Urban:	<u>2</u>	
Total:	9	
<b># of Faculty (9/94)      117</b>		
 <u>Social Work</u>	 6	 14%
<b># of Faculty (9/94)      42</b>		
 <b>Grand Total:</b>	 <b>567</b>	 <b>64</b>
		<b>11%</b>