

MINUTES

Meeting of the Hunter College Senate
29 November 1989

	The 248th meeting of the Hunter College Senate was convened at 4:10 PM in Room W 714.	1 2
Presiding:	Jo Kirsch, Chair	3
Attendance:	The elected members of the Senate, with the exception of those listed in Appendix II.	4 5
Minutes:	The Minutes of October 11th and October 25th were approved as distributed.	6
Report by the President:	The following is a summary statement of President LeClerc's report to the Senate:	7 8
	He said: "I know you have an important academic matter to consider this afternoon, and so I'll make these comments brief. I can't tell you a whole lot more than you read in <u>The New York Times</u> about the resignation of the Chancellor, other than the fact that a search will start in January. If you have any good candidates to suggest, I am sure the Chairman of the Board of Trustees, who is chairing that search, will be interested to hear of them. There will be two other searches of consequence going on at CUNY this semester. One will be to recruit a President for the Graduate School and University Center. The other search will be for the presidency of Lehman College.	9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18
	You probably read in <u>The New York Times</u> about a month ago that the State Budget Office was recommending a mid-year cut in State agency budgets of about 2%. The City University of New York as well as the State University of New York were mentioned in that article. You may have been concerned about the implications for Hunter. Be reassured. Everything seems to indicate now that there will in fact be no mid-year budget cut for the senior colleges. As you know, our budget this year is not generous, but it appears now that there will be no further reductions in the operating budget of the College. What will happen for the 1990-91 operating budget is another matter, and there are dire prognostications out about the state of revenues in New York State for the next fiscal year. The Governor will reveal his Executive Budget at some point in January, and we will see what things look like then. As you know, that is not the final budget. We then deal with the Legislature on restorations, and we will see how well we can do for Hunter.	19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26 27 28 29 30 31 32 33
	We did have a good fund-raising week last week. \$175,000 of new support came into the College. \$75,000 of it is to support students at the Brookdale Center on Aging, and \$100,000 to support Jewish Studies programs at Hunter. That is a gift of a graduate of the class of 1933. She and her husband were putting their wills together and decided to make their contribution to the College now. Of the \$100,000 for Jewish Studies, \$25,000 will be used as scholarship money to support students in either the Jewish Social Studies Program, or in Hebrew languages and literature courses. The remaining \$75,000 will be used to start at Hunter a Distinguished Lectureship series on an annual basis. We are considering names like Elie Wiesel and Cynthia Ozick to inaugurate the lectureship series. If you have any suggestions as to people who might be appropriate originators, we would be happy to hear from you on that.	34 35 36 37 38 39 40 41 42 43 44 45 46
	Those are my remarks. If you have any questions I will be happy to answer them."	47 48
Report by the Administrative Committee:	Prof. Kirsch presented the report as follows:	49
	1. She presented the following nominations for Special Election to fill vacant seats on the Senate:	50 51
	<u>Students:</u> Gilles de Greling (Day)	52
	Allison Miller (Accounting) Day	53
	Eulela Swinton (French) Evening	54

A motion to approve the nominations as a slate carried by voice vote. 55

Voting cards were distributed to the newly elected Senators: 56

2. Approved Curriculum Changes 57
 - The following curriculum changes, as listed in the Report dated 29 November 1989, were approved as per Senate resolution, and were submitted for the Senate's information: Items US-728 (Music), GS-302 & GS-301 (School of Health Sciences), GS-299 (School of Nursing/School of Health Sciences). 58-61

Committee Reports:

Nominating Committee 62
 Dr. Marilyn Rothschild, Chair of the Committee, presented the Committee's slate to fill seats currently vacant on Senate committees as distributed. 63-64

The floor was open for further nominations, but none were offered. 65

A motion to approve the slate as presented carried by voice vote, and the following were elected: 66-67

Undergraduate Course of Study Committee 68
 Faculty Alternate: Joan Tronto (Political Science) 69
 Student Alternate: Desire Ma (Communications Major) 70

Undergraduate Academic Requirements Committee 71
 Student from Academic Skills: Michael Garcia 72
 Student: Michael Hewitt (Political Science) 73

Committee on the Calendar 74
 Student: Gus Karistinos (Political Science) 75

Committee on Evaluation of Teaching 76
 Student: Desire Ma (Communications) 77

Review Commission on Distribution Requirements 78
 Student: Angela Damato (Education) 79
 Student Alternate: Cecil Mark (Political Science) 80

Undergraduate Academic Requirements Committee 81
 Prof. Kirsch presented the following proposal by the Undergraduate Academic Requirements Committee, as submitted: 82-83

Proficiency Testing for Non-Degree Students (to become effective for the Fall 1990): 84-85

1. Bachelor's Degree holders (from a college or university accredited by a regional accrediting association) and Senior Citizens are exempt from testing. 86-88
2. All other non-degree applicants will agree at the time of application to take scheduled proficiency tests prior to their first semester. 89-90
3. All access codes will be put on the records of all non-degree students until they have tested. 91-92
4. Currently enrolled non-degree students must complete proficiency testing before Fall 1990, or will have appropriate access codes placed on their records. 93-95

The Chair recommended that the Senate resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole for 30 minutes to allow free discussion. 96-97

There having been no objection it was so ordered. Prof. Sam Korn, Chair of the Undergraduate Academic Requirements Committee was appointed to chair the Committee of the Whole. 98-100

During discussion the time limit was extended until 5 PM. 101

The Senate rose from the Committee of the Whole at 5 PM. 102

The Question on the floor was the Committee proposal.	103
Prof. Michael Perna, on behalf of the Evening Session Council, urged the Senate to vote against the Committee's proposal.	104 105
After discussion the question was called and carried.	106
The proposal was approved by hand vote with 40 in favor and 30 opposed.	107
Prof. Matthews moved that:	108
"All students be tested, including Bachelor Degree holders and Senior Citizens."	109 110
A motion to refer Prof. Matthews' motion to the Undergraduate Academic Requirements Committee for consideration and report to the Senate during the Spring term, carried by voice vote.	111 112 113
Prof. Gilpatrick moved that:	114
"The Administrative Committee be requested to appoint a Committee which shall review implementation of the new regulation concerning proficiency testing and investigate the needs for remediation for both matriculated and non-degree students. The Committee shall report on this in the spring semester 1990 with a plan for the College Administration."	115 116 117 118 119
After discussion the motion was approved by hand vote.	120
Prof. Kirsch informed the Senate that the Teacher Evaluations Committee Report is postponed to the next Senate meeting.	121 122
The meeting was adjourned at 5:30 PM.	123

Respectfully submitted by,



William Mayer,
Secretary

APPENDIX I

The following members were noted as absent from the meeting:

FACULTY:		STUDENTS:
Academic Skills:	Teri Haas	Blaise Hancock John Nilsen
Anthropology:	John Oates	Joseph Weiss Kian Frederick
Biology:	Katherine Lyser	Karen Morita Evan Camp
Chemistry:	Angelo Santoro Maria Tomasz Jeff Wijnen	Dennis Bianco Shannon Gibney Keisha Gaither Sandra Maxwell
Communications:	Thomas Mader "E" Serafina Bathrick	Gus Karistinos "E" James Goodman Simon Campbell
Computer Science:	Eric Schweitzer	Michael Lazzarotti Beatrice Vides
Curriculum & Teaching:	Richard Smolens Alene Smith	Wendy Chin "E" Rick Rozos Francis Quilang
Economics:	Laura Randall "E" Howard Chernick	Prem Isaac Erick Lee Cecil Mark
Educational Foundations:	Marvin Wayne Sheryl Graves	Christopher Burns Wayne Hodge Lucia Sternberg
English	Sybil Brinberg	Constance Simmons Raymond Dash
Geology & Geography:	Richard Liebling	Sabina Alteras Amy Kossoy
German:	Dorothy James "E"	Joan Winkfield Woei-Ming New
Health & Phys. Education:	Frank Greenberg	Daniel Wright Estelle Sauerstrom "E"
History:	James Harrison Barbara Welter	Kim Ray Dorothy Waters Adria Quinones
Mathematics:	Daniel Chess Sandra Clarkson "E" Barbara Barone	Mark Windley Edgar Paez "E" Guy Conti Norma Moy
Music:	Paul Mueller "E"	Lisa Brody Rudolph Gianaccia
Philosophy:	Sue Weinberg "E"	Teresa Forte Evelyn Li
Political Science:	Carolyn Somerville Rosalind Petchesky Vincent Tirelli	Dragan Milanovic
Romance Languages:	Alex Szogyi Jeannine Plottel "E"	
Social Work:	Judith Rosenberger Roberta Graziano Marsha Martin	
Sociology::	John Cuddihy "E" Ruth Sidel "E" Mary Curry	
Student Services:	Reva Cohen "E" Elaine Lawrence "E"	
Theatre & Film:	Ellen Sumter Dan Koetting Stan Davis	
Urban Affairs:	Stanley Moses William Milzarsky "E"	

Dean Carlos Hortas