

MINUTES

**Meeting of the Hunter College Senate
14 March 1990**

	The 251st meeting of the Hunter College Senate was convened at 4:20 PM in Room W714.	1 2
Presiding:	Jo Kirsch, Chair	3
Attendance:	The elected members of the Senate with the exception of those listed in Appendix I.	4 5
Minutes:	The Minutes of February 14th 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 am pleased to acknowledge in our midst today Professor Barbara Welter, Acting Chair of the History Department, who has had an accident from which she is recovering speedily and brilliantly. It is nice to have her back at the College.	9 10 11 12
	I have a few brief announcements to make this afternoon. The first is that bonds have been sold to fund \$20.1M for reconstruction work in the North Building that will start in the very near future. The first phase will be asbestos abatement, removal, and so on. Bonds have also been sold to fund \$10M for senior college asbestos removal projects, and Hunter's share should be anywhere between 10% and 25%. The monies will be spent by the Dormitory Authority, but we will work closely with them in identifying the key priority areas for immediate attention.	13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20
	We have made an offer to an individual who will be the asbestos coordinator for the College. The offer has been accepted, and he will begin work with us in another three to four weeks time.	21 22 23
	The Andre Watts Benefit Performance for the Hunter Symphony is taking place tonight. This is the most successful event of this kind that we have had to date. About 1300 tickets have been sold, and that is a record audience for the Hunter Symphony in a performance of this kind. That is very good news indeed."	24 25 26 27 28
	President LeClerc concluded his report by answering questions from the floor.	29 30
Report by the Administrative Committee:	Professor Kirsch presented the report as follows:	31
	a. <u>Approved Curriculum Changes:</u>	32
	The following curriculum changes, as listed in the report dated 14 March 1990, were approved as per Senate resolution. Items: US-738 (Romance Languages), US-739, US-740, US-741 (Chemistry).	33 34 35
	b. Informed the Senate that the Administrative Committee, in accordance with Senate resolution of 29 November 1989, had appointed the following Ad-hoc Committee to review implementation of the new regulation concerning proficiency testing, and to explore remediation placement needs for matriculated and non-degree students:	36 37 38 39 40
	<u>Committee to Review Proficiency Testing & Remediation Placement Needs</u>	41
	<u>Chair:</u> David Lavalley, Associate Provost	42
	<u>Members:</u> Marilyn Rothschild, Freshmen Skills Coordinator	43
	Karen Greenberg, Coordinator, Developmental English Program	44
	Madlyn Stokely, Student Services Academic Alert & Proficiency	45
	Ruth Weisgal, Assist. Vice President for Admin. Services	46
	William Mayer, Secretary of the Senate	47
	Kian Fredericks, Evening Student Government	48
	Theresa Forte, Acad. Affairs Commission, Day Student Gov.	49
	The Committee will report to the Senate upon completion of its study.	50

	c. <u>Re: College Calendar for 1990-1991</u>	51
	Prof. Kirsch informed the Senate that the Spring Recess for 1991 has been changes to: <u>Friday, March 29 through Thursday, April 4,</u>	52 53
Committee Reports:	<u>Nominating Committee</u>	54
	Dr. Marilyn Rothschild, Chair of the Committee, presented the Committee's slate for seats currently vacant on Senate committees.	55 56
	The floor was open for nominations, but none were received.	57
	A motion to approve the slate as presented carried by voice vote, and the following were elected:	58 59
	<u>Advisory Committee on the Library</u>	60
	Student: Lourdes Blanco (Sociology) Evening	61
	<u>Teacher Evaluations Committee</u>	62
	Students: Scott Lessard (Und.) Evening	63
	Elena Georgiou (Evening)	64
	<u>Calendar Committee</u>	65
	Student: Scott Lessard (Evening)	66
	<u>Undergraduate Academic Requirements Committee</u>	67
	Prof. Sam Korn, Chair of the Committee, presented the following resolution for Senate approval:	68 69
	WHEREAS, The Board of Trustees of the City University of New York is considering the adoption of a university-wide policy on the treatment of the grade of "F"; and	70 71 72
	WHEREAS, The determination of grading policy is an intrinsic and central part of each College's mission; and	73 74
WHEREAS, The By-laws of the City University of New York, Section 8.6 state, in part: "The faculty shall be responsible, subject to guidelines, if any, as established by the Board for...student attendance including leaves of absence, curriculum, awarding of college credit, granting of degrees;" and	75 76 77 78 79	
WHEREAS, The proposals under consideration for adoption of a university-wide policy do not constitute a "guideline" but instead usurp the authority of the faculty and governance bodies of each branch of the University; therefore,	80 81 82 83	
BE IT RESOLVED: That the Hunter College Senate advises the Board of Trustees to withdraw any attempt to mandate a university-wide policy on the grade of "F".	84 85 86	
After discussion the question was called and carried.	87	
The resolution was approved by hand vote with no opposition.	88	
It was moved that: "the Undergraduate Academic Requirements Committee be instructed to review the current policy regarding grades for courses which are repeated."	89 90 91	
After discussion the question was called and carried.	92	
The motion carried by hand vote.	93	
Prof. Gilpatrick moved that "the Undergraduate Academic Requirements Committee be requested to report to the Senate this semester."	94 95	
The question was called and carried.	96	
The motion carried by hand vote.	97	

<u>Departmental Governance Committee</u>	98
Prof. Al Bennick, Chair of the Committee, presented the Revised By-laws of the Department of Mathematics and Statistics for approval.	99 100
After discussion the question was called and carried.	101
The Revised By-laws were approved by hand vote.	102
After discussion it was moved that "the Charter Review Committee be requested to examine departmental policy regarding voting privileges to those members of the department who have teaching responsibilities."	103 104 105
The motion carried by hand vote with 33 in favor, 5 opposed, and 6 abstentions.	106
The meeting was adjourned at 5:25 PM.	

Respectfully submitted,



William Mayer,
Secretary