MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE BOARD OF
HIGHER EDUCATION OF THE CITY OF NEW YORK
HELD
NOVEMBER 21, 1977
AT THE BOARD HEADQUARTERS BUILDING
535 EAST 80 STREET - BOROUGH OF MANHATTAN

The Chairperson called the meeting to order at 5:40 P.M.

There were present:

Harold M. Jacobs, Chairperson
Patricia Carry Stewart, Vice Chairperson

Loretta A. Conway
Walter H. Crowley
Edith B. Everett
Ronald T. Gault

Gurston D. Goldin
Albert V. Maniscalco
Joan B. Maynard
Emanuel R. Piore
David Z. Robinson

David Valinsky, ex officio
Edward A. Roberts, ex officio

Richard M. Catalano, Secretary of the Board
Mary P. Bass, General Counsel and Vice Chancellor for Legal Affairs

Chancellor Robert J. Kibbee
President Roscoe C. Brown Jr.
Acting President Peter J. Caffrey
President John W. Kneller
President Leonard Lief
President Gerald W. Lynch
President Robert E. Marshak
President Harold M. Proshansky
Acting President Anthony Santiago

President Joel Segall
President Joseph Shenker
Acting President Nathaniel H. Siegel
Acting President Joshua L. Smith
President Richard D. Trent
President Edmond Volpe
President Jacqueline G. Wexler
Acting Vice Chancellor Egon Brenner
Vice Chancellor Julius C.C. Edelstein
Vice Chancellor J. Joseph Meng

The absence of Mr. D'Angelo, Mr. Figueroa and Mr. Olivero was excused.
A. NEW BOARD MEMBER:

The Chairperson introduced and welcomed Mr. Stuart Scheftel, former chairman of the New York City Youth Board, who had been nominated by the Governor to serve as a member of the Board of Higher Education.

Upon motions duly made, seconded and carried, the following resolutions were adopted: (Calendar Nos. 1 through 3)

NO. 1. CHANCELLOR’S REPORT: RESOLVED, That the Chancellor’s Report for November 21, 1977 (including Addendum Items) be approved, as amended, as follows:

(a) Item D.1. Queens College - Reappointments with Tenure, Effective 9/1/78:
(1) Withdraw names of Martin Hoffman and Elsa M. Prescod.
(2) Indicate that Brian R. Percival and Marcia Miller are Lecturers (Full-time) and are to be awarded the Certificate of Continuous Employment effective 9/1/78.

(b) PART D - ADDENDUM: Add the following items:

D. 12. Bronx Community College - Agreement with Department of the Army: RESOLVED, That the Board of Higher Education approve the contract documents and authorize Bronx Community College to enter into an agreement with the Department of the Army fixing a formula for reasonable remuneration to be paid by the United States Army for steam furnished by Bronx Community College to the Robert P. Patterson USAR Center on the Bronx Community College Campus for a continuing period of time until terminated by one of the parties, subject to the approval of the General Counsel as to form.

EXPLANATION: When the New York University Heights Campus was acquired in 1973 for the use of Bronx Community College, the United States Army occupied the Robert P. Patterson USAR Center under a long term lease with New York University. The lease, which was assigned to the Board of Higher Education by New York University, provided that the Army Center be supplied with steam by the lessor without specifying the rate of compensation. This agreement will provide a formula for the reasonable compensation of Bronx Community College by the United States Army for its consumption of steam.

D. 13. Central Office - Programming Contract: RESOLVED, That a contract is authorized between the Board and the Urban Academy for project management, systems analysis and design, programming, computer services, and similar services to accomplish the interface of the community college budget and accounting systems with the City of New York Integrated Financial Management System (IFMS), at a cost not to exceed $75,000, and be it further

RESOLVED, That the Board of Estimate be requested to approve such contract, and be it further

RESOLVED, That the Secretary is hereby authorized to execute such contract upon its approval by the Board of Estimate.

EXPLANATION: The Community Colleges budget and accounting systems are to be interfaced with the City’s IFMS system prior to the preparation of the City’s fiscal year 1979 budget. The Urban Academy is uniquely qualified to program the changes, in that it has contracted with the City to aid in the implementation of the IFMS system.

(c) Items listed in PART E - ERRATA, to be withdrawn or changed, as indicated.
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NO. 2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES: RESOLVED, That the minutes of the Board of Higher Education meeting of October 24, 1977 be approved as circulated.

NO. 3. COMMITTEE ON FISCAL AFFAIRS: RESOLVED, That the following items be adopted:

A. QUEENS COLLEGE - CONTRACT FOR A NEW ADMINISTRATIVE COMPUTER SYSTEM:

RESOLVED, That the Board of Higher Education approve the contract documents and specifications and authorize Queens College to advertise for, receive and open bids and award contract to the lowest responsible bidder for the rental or lease/purchase, including maintenance, of a new Administrative Computer System at an estimated monthly cost not to exceed $25,000 for a seven year period (if a lease purchase) chargeable to Queens College Expense Code 2-215-01-462 and/or such other funds as may be available, subject to financial ability.

EXPLANATION: The proposed system will replace the existing obsolete computing equipment and is required to meet the planned expansion of administrative processing into a fully on-line environment as well as the projected increase in reporting requirements for external agencies.

The hardware would include but not be limited to the following (depending on the vendor selected the configuration would be adjusted. However, in all cases the vendor must supply equivalent or better equipment.):

Central Processing Unit with associated consoles, power supplies, memory, plus other associated CPU features as determined by the vendor to meet Queens College generated specifications. CPU memory must be expandable.

Direct Access Storage Device - a minimum of 800MB of DASD (3330 equivalent or better).

Magnetic Tape Drives - Four 1600 BPI tape drives, self loading 2400 foot cartridge types, with speed of 200 KBS or faster.

Card Reader - reader capable of 600 CPM speed.

Card Punch - punch capable of 600 CPM speed (required for one year only).

Printers - two line printers, replaceable chain or band type, minimum of 64 character set, 1100 LPM or faster.

Teleprocessing interface capable of immediately accepting 30 asynchronous RS232C compatible terminals. Interface should be expandable up to a minimum of 64 terminals.

If the equipment is obtained on a full equity lease/purchase plan, the contract will contain an annual no penalty fiscal funding out clause.

The following items which are included in the $25,000 per month estimated cost of the total system may be bid separately by non-mainframe vendors to achieve the best overall price; the estimated cost of these items shall not exceed $5000/month which is included in the overall $25,000 per month total system cost:

-- 20 CRT terminals, RSC232C standard interface capable of 110-9600 (or faster) baud transmission with slave printer and auxiliary connectors.

-- 15 hard copy input printer terminals 120-180 CPS RS232C standard interface usable as stand alone terminal or as slave printer to CRT.

-- 15 Optical mark readers, RS232C interface.

This equipment will be obtained either on a rental or a short term 1-3 year lease/purchase arrangement.

This proposal has the approval of the University Dean for Computer Systems.

Dr. Piore abstained.

B. 1978-79 BUDGET REQUEST: The resolution was moved and seconded.

Dr. Goldin made the following statement for the record:

Last year I abstained from the vote by the Board of Higher Education on the City University Budget Proposal for 1977-78.

I stated, at that time, that I could not, in good conscience, support a budget proposal which I considered to be deficient in terms of its failure to develop a comprehensive educational policy to serve as the conceptual framework for the formulation of specific budgetary allocations.
I asserted that a budget is not simply a fiscal document. It is an instrument of educational policy. It was my contention that no comprehensive educational policy, relating to the nature and mission of the University and setting forth educational goals and priorities, had been prepared as the basis for a budget request.

During the past year, the University has been compelled, in response to both fiscal constraints and considerations of sound educational management, to initiate a long-range educational planning process which must rise above pious rhetoric and propose measurable institutional changes. I anticipate that this complex task will involve probable changes in the administrative configuration of the University and a realignment of the educational missions of its constituent institutions.

In my judgment, a comprehensive educational policy for City University must meet the critical test of a rational differentiation of the educational roles and priorities of its component colleges and the allocation of appropriate academic responsibilities and resources in terms of their respective educational missions.

The Chancellor and his staff are to be commended for their planning initiatives and encouraged to pursue the urgent and difficult educational planning process that they have undertaken for the Board of Higher Education. My affirmative vote today on the University Budget Request for 1978-79 is an expression of my confidence that those efforts will be continued, and an earnest of my anticipation that an educational plan responsive to our mission in public higher education will be forthcoming.

Mr. Roberts asked the record to show that the University Student Senate could not support the Budget Request because:

1. The University Student Senate believes that it is necessary to restore fully the CAP Program which was instituted in June 1976 when the Board voted to impose tuition, and

2. The University Student Senate opposes the inclusion in the Request of $250,000 for the implementation of the University-wide testing program, which the Student Senate believes is intended to screen out students.

At this point the Board heard Mr. Daniel J. Lipsman, who spoke in opposition to the Budget Request.

The following resolution was adopted:

RESOLVED, That the 1978-79 Budget Request of $501.2 million, including an overall amount of $3.0 million in tuition waivers for part-time students in the senior and community colleges, be adopted.

EXPLANATION: The Chancellor has recommended to the Board an operating budget for 1978-79 in the amount of $501.2 million for an increase of $35.5 million over the current year's budget of $465.7 million. This increase includes $18.9 million for the senior colleges and $16.6 million for the community colleges. Included as part of this budget request is $3.0 million of tuition waivers for part-time students, divided equally between senior and community colleges. A public hearing on the Chancellor's proposed budget was held on November 17, 1977. A copy is on file in the Office of the Secretary of the Board.

Mr. Crowley asked the record to show that, in his opinion, the $3.0 million included for tuition waivers for part-time students was inadequate.

Ms. Maynard abstained because of her views on the inadequacy of the CAP Program.

Upon motions duly made, seconded and carried, the meeting was adjourned at 5:54 P.M.

RICHARD M. CATALANO
Secretary of the Board