The meeting was called to order at 6:00 p.m.

There were present:

Committee Members:
- Hon. Benno C. Schmidt, Chair
- Hon. Philip Alfonso Berry, Vice Chair
- Hon. Valerie Lancaster Beal
- Hon. Wellington Chen
- Hon. Joseph J. Lhota
- Hon. Kathleen M. Pesile
- Hon. Marc V. Shaw
- Hon. Manfred Philipp, faculty member (non-voting)
- Hon. Simone Lamont, student member (non-voting)

University Staff:
- Chancellor Matthew Goldstein
- Interim Executive Vice Chancellor and University Provost Alexandra Logue
- Executive Vice Chancellor and Chief Operating Officer Allan H. Dobrin
- Vice Chancellor Ernesto Malave
- Vice Chancellor Garrie Moore
- Vice Chancellor Iris Weinshall

Trustee Staff:
- Senior Vice Chancellor and Secretary of the Board Jay Hershenson
- Senior Vice Chancellor and General Counsel Frederick Schaffer
- Deputy to the Secretary Hourig Messerlian
- Mr. Steven Quinn

The agenda items were considered in the following order:

I. ACTION ITEMS:

A. THE CITY COLLEGE – THE NAMING OF THE SCHOOL OF ARCHITECTURE, URBAN DESIGN, AND LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTURE AS THE BERNARD AND ANNE SPITZER SCHOOL OF ARCHITECTURE:

Chancellor Goldstein stated that Ann and Bernard Spitzer have pledged a $25 million dollar gift to City College. In exchange for that substantial gift it was agreed that the School of Architecture, Urban Design and Landscape Architecture would be named the Bernard and Anne Spitzer School of Architecture in perpetuity. The faculty of the School of Architecture voted overwhelmingly to recommend this naming, and the president of City College has also recommended it.

Following discussion the item was unanimously approved.
B. HUNTER COLLEGE - HUNTER COLLEGE SCHOOL OF SOCIAL WORK GROUND LEASE, DEVELOPMENT AND PURCHASE AGREEMENT AMENDMENT:

Chancellor Matthew Goldstein stated that this is a finance arrangement the University has with the developer and the New York City Community Trust for a new School of Social Work for Hunter College that will also house the new CUNY School of Public Health.

Vice Chancellor Iris Weinshall stated that, because general market conditions have changed, the cost for the building will probably be less than the original estimate of $87 million. In addition, the Brodsky Organization—the general contractor which is buying the current site at 79th Street—is in negotiations with the New York City Community Trust to sort out what these market changes will mean for their purchase price. The University is moving forward on the project and has purchased the land up in East Harlem. It is anticipated that demolition of the site will start at the beginning of May.

General Counsel and Senior Vice Chancellor Frederick Schaffer stated that this matter has been brought back to the Board because the original resolution stated certain estimates which are likely no longer accurate. The administration is confident, however, that after the final negotiations the University will have more than enough money to build the same building that was anticipated at the outset.

Following discussion the item was unanimously approved.

C. THE CITY UNIVERSITY OF NEW YORK – EXTENSION OF CONTRACT WITH ACT:

Chancellor Goldstein stated that ACT is one of the major testing organizations in the United States and the University has had a long term contract with them to do the grading of various University tests, including the CUNY proficiency examination.

General Counsel and Senior Vice Chancellor Schaffer stated that this is a simple extension of the agreement. There have been some price changes because, as the exams have become more complicated, the amount of hours it takes to grade the exams has increased. ACT has provided us with backup documentation to that effect. The draft contract has already been approved by the Office of Legal Affairs as to form and is sitting with ACT right now. This is a one year extension. The University has notified ACT that its intent going forward is to undertake a new competitive bidding process for this contract, but the current exams need to be graded.

Following discussion the item was unanimously approved.

D. MEDGAR EVERS COLLEGE – ADDITIONAL MEMBER ON THE PRESIDENTIAL SEARCH COMMITTEE:

Chancellor Goldstein stated that in 1999 a mandatory configuration for all presidential search committees was established. The configuration consists of a certain number of trustees, faculty, and students, as well as a current CUNY president and an alumni representative. In putting together the current presidential search committee for Medgar Evers College, that configuration was adhered to. It came to the University's attention that the governance charter of Medgar Evers College establishes a Community Council, drawn from the community around the college, which plays an active role at Medgar Evers. There is a tradition that goes back about twenty years to the creation of the search committee for Medgar Evers' current president, Edison Jackson, that the president of the Community Council has a representative on the search committee. It does
not seem problematic to add an additional member consistent with the special circumstances that exist at Medgar Evers. The administration is not aware of any other campus in the University that has a structure like this.

In response to a question regarding the composition of the Community Council, Chancellor Goldstein stated that there are no political members—no members of the City Council or the State Legislature. These are business people who live and work in the Crown Heights area that have a close connection with the campus. The administration has had conversations with Ms. Katie L. Davis, the president of the Community Council, and she has agreed to be the member to represent the Community Council.

Following discussion the item was unanimously approved.

The meeting was adjourned at 6:15 p.m.