

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE BOARD OF  
HIGHER EDUCATION OF THE CITY OF NEW YORK**

**HELD**

**JANUARY 26, 1976**

**AT THE BOARD HEADQUARTERS BUILDING  
535 EAST 80 STREET - BOROUGH OF MANHATTAN**

**The Chairman called the meeting to order at 5:05 P.M.**

**There were present:**

**Alfred A. Giardino, Chairman**

**Sandra Lopez Bird  
Armand D'Angelo**

**Gurston D. Goldin  
Rita E. Hauser  
James P. Murphy**

**Maynard S. Jones, ex officio**

**Etta G. Grass, Acting Secretary of the Board**

**Chancellor Robert J. Kibbee  
President Milton G. Bassin  
President William M. Birenbaum  
President James A. Colston  
President Candido A. de Leon  
President Edgar D. Draper  
President Leon M. Goldstein  
President John W. Kneller  
President Leonard Lief  
Acting President Gerald W. Lynch  
President Robert E. Marshak  
President Joseph S. Murphy  
President Harold M. Proshansky**

**President Kurt R. Schmeller  
President Joseph Shenker  
President Herbert M. Sussman  
President Richard D. Trent  
President Edmond Volpe  
President Jacqueline G. Wexler  
President Clyde J. Wingfield  
Professor David Valinsky  
Deputy Chancellor Seymour C. Hyman  
Vice Chancellor Mary P. Bass  
Vice Chancellor Timothy S. Healy  
Vice Chancellor Anthony Knerr  
Vice Chancellor J. Joseph Meng  
Vice Chancellor Peter S. Spiridon**

**The absence of Mr. FitzPatrick, Mr. Jacobs and Mrs. Quinones and Mr. Williams was excused.**

**A. NEW BOARD MEMBERS:** The Chairman introduced the new tenth member of the Board, Mrs. Sandra Lopez Bird, appointed by the Mayor to fill the vacancy caused by the death of Mrs. Marta Valle, and Mr. Maynard S. Jones, the newly elected chairperson of the University Student Senate, who replaces Mr. Jay Hershenson as the student ex officio non-voting member of the Board. Both were welcomed to the Board.

Upon motions duly made, seconded and carried, the following resolutions were adopted or action was taken as noted: (Calendar Nos. 1 through 10)

**NO. 1. CHANCELLOR'S REPORT:** RESOLVED, That the Chancellor's Report for January 26, 1976 (including Addendum Items) be approved, as amended as follows:

(a) Items listed in PART E - ERRATA, to be withdrawn or changed, as indicated.

EXPLANATION: The Chancellor's Report consists of those resolutions and actions of a non-policy nature which require approval by the Board of Higher Education.

**NO. 2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES:** RESOLVED, That the minutes of the Board of Higher Education for the following meetings be approved as circulated:

January 27, 1975

February 24, 1975

March 24, 1975

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

**A. HUNTER COLLEGE - B.S. IN PHYSICAL EDUCATION:**

RESOLVED, That Hunter College be authorized to award the B.S. degree in Physical Education in place of the existing B.A. degree in Physical Education, effective September 1976, subject to financial ability.

EXPLANATION: This program has been revised to include introductory courses in anatomy and kinesiology, motor learning and performance, exercise physiology, and other subjects which have recently been introduced into the study of physical education. The B.S. degree is needed for the program because it permits 50% of the course work to be in the area of liberal arts (compared to 75% for the B.A. degree). Students already enrolled in the B.A. program will be allowed to complete their work for the B.A. degree. The offering of a B.S. degree in Physical Education will not involve any additional funding. Savings may be realized because the number of courses offered to students seeking this degree will be ten (10) fewer than have been offered for the B.A. degree which this new program will replace. The average cost per FTE student is estimated at \$1,491 in the first year of the program. In the 5th year of the program, the costs are estimated at \$1,806/FTE student. These costs can and will be met out of Hunter's regular operating budget.

**B. JOHN JAY COLLEGE OF CRIMINAL JUSTICE - B.A. IN FIRE SERVICE ADMINISTRATION:**

RESOLVED, That the program leading to the B.A. in Fire Service Administration, to be offered at John Jay College of Criminal Justice, be approved effective January 1976, subject to financial ability.

EXPLANATION: This program will serve the needs of personnel already employed in Fire Service agencies who wish to advance their careers and high school graduates who plan to enter this field. Developed in cooperation with the New York Fire Department, the program will help to meet the local need for manpower whose expertise lies in fire service administration rather than in firefighting. The curriculum stresses academic achievement and is designed to encourage further study leading to a Master's degree in Fire Science, Public Administration, or Forensic Science. The new program does not require new facilities, instructional materials or faculty and can be operated within the regular budget of the college.

**NO. 4. COMMITTEE ON FISCAL AFFAIRS AND PLANNING:** RESOLVED, That the following items be adopted:

**A. INVASION OF PRINCIPAL OF THE UNIVERSITY FUND:**

RESOLVED, That the resolution creating a special account known as the "University Fund," (BHE Cal. No. 4A, April 29, 1970) be amended as follows, effective with the 1975-76 fiscal year:

RESOLVED, That income from this fund and, if necessary, an invasion of the principal not to exceed [5%] 10% in any given year, are to be used to meet special needs of the University not provided for by tax levy or other funds for one-time use projects [.] and for those representational activities necessary to the functions of the University. Application for utilization of such funds shall be subject to approval by the Chancellor and by the [Executive Committee of the Board.] Board.

EXPLANATION: The need of the University to commission numerous management-related studies and evaluations has placed a significant burden on the funds, available for such purposes, usually derived from the income of the University Fund. In order to meet these needs, as well as other obligations normally met through the University Fund, the Board finds it necessary to increase the permissible invasion of principal from 5% to 10%.

In addition, the changed structural composition of the Board makes existing procedures for approving applications for utilization of these funds obsolete.

**B. CENTRAL OFFICE STUDY:**

RESOLVED, That the Chancellor be authorized to use up to \$45,000 of funds available in the City University Fund for a study of the organization of the CUNY Central Office, and to enter into a contract with the firm of Peat, Marwick, Mitchell & Company for such study.

EXPLANATION: The Board authorized a management consultant overview of the University's Central Office. After discussions with several management consulting firms, Peat, Marwick, Mitchell & Company have been selected to conduct this study.

**NO. 5. COMMITTEE ON ADMINISTRATIVE AFFAIRS:** RESOLVED, That the following item be adopted:

**A. BYLAW AMENDMENTS TO CONFORM TO BOARD'S STATEMENT ON ACADEMIC PERSONNEL PRACTICE:**

Notice was served and noted of the introduction of proposed amendments to Sections VI, IX and XI of the bylaws of the Board to conform the bylaws to the Board's Statement on Academic Personnel Practice.

EXPLANATION: These amendments conform the bylaws to the "Statement of the Board of Higher Education on Academic Personnel Practice in the City University of New York" adopted by the Board at its meeting on September 22, 1975, Cal. No. 5. The policy statement was to be effective January 1, 1976.

**NO. 6. DESIGNATION AS ACTING PRESIDENT OF BRONX COMMUNITY COLLEGE:**

RESOLVED, That Dean Morton Rosenstock be designated Acting President of Bronx Community College, effective February 1, 1976, until such time as a president is designated, with compensation at the rate of \$9,000 per annum in addition to his regular academic salary, subject to financial ability.

The Chairman introduced Dr. Rosenstock.

**NO. 7. PRESIDENT EMERITUS, BRONX COMMUNITY COLLEGE: WHEREAS, Dr. James A.**

Colston has informed the Board of his intention to retire as President of Bronx Community College, and

WHEREAS, he assumed the leadership of the College ten years ago after almost 25 years of distinguished presidential service at Bethune-Cookman College, Georgia State College and Knoxville College, and

WHEREAS, under his leadership the College grew from a poorly housed institution of 7,000 students to an institution housed in one of the largest campuses of the City University serving more than 13,000 students and citizens of the City of New York, and

WHEREAS, under his leadership Bronx Community College has faced with great vitality, dedication and innovation the challenge of Open Admissions, and

WHEREAS, he has recognized and actively pursued the relationship between the College and the Bronx community and encouraged community directed programs and services, and

WHEREAS, under his leadership the College has served the needs of the community and its students by developing an array of health related programs including one of the largest nursing programs in the country, and

WHEREAS, for the past ten years Dr. Colston has served the City of New York and the City University of New York with loyalty, devotion and dedication, therefore be it

RESOLVED, That the Board tender to President Colston this statement of recognition of service performed with dedication and distinction and that he be designated President Emeritus effective February 1, 1976.

**NO. 8. PRESIDENT EMERITUS, JOHN JAY COLLEGE OF CRIMINAL JUSTICE: WHEREAS, Dr.**

Donald H. Riddle has informed the Board of his intention to assume the Chancellorship of the University of Illinois at Chicago Circle, and

WHEREAS, he has served with distinction as President of John Jay College of Criminal Justice for the past eight years, and

WHEREAS, under his leadership the College has grown four-fold in size and from a branch of Baruch College specializing in police science to a comprehensive institution offering programs in liberal arts, police science, criminal justice, forensic science, fire science and humanities, and

WHEREAS, under his leadership the College has developed outstanding graduate programs in public administration, criminal justice and social relations as well as psychology and forensic science, and

WHEREAS, he has provided aggressive leadership in the upgrading of the education and expertise of the City's uniformed services, and

WHEREAS, under his direction the College had taken a role in the forefront of bringing new groups, especially women and minorities, into the ranks of the City uniformed services, and

WHEREAS, he has directed the College in the development of unique programs blending the arts with the technical sciences of police, corrections and probation, therefore be it

RESOLVED, That the Board tender to President Riddle this statement of thanks and appreciation for outstanding leadership and inspiration and that he be designated President Emeritus effective February 1, 1976.

**NO. 9. CLOSING OF FACILITIES:** A motion was made and seconded that this resolution be adopted:

The Chairman announced that the Board planned to defer action until its February meeting but wanted to give early notice so that staff could make personal plans accordingly.

At this point the Board heard the following who spoke in opposition to the resolution:

- Dr. Belle Zeller, President, Professional Staff Congress
- Mr. Anthony Griesi, Council Representative, District Council 37

Upon motions duly made, seconded and carried, the resolution was tabled for action at the next Board meeting without further debate.

Mr. D'Angelo asked to be recorded as voting No.

**NO. 10. UNIVERSITY REPORT:** The Chancellor presented his oral report on matters of Board and University interest:

1. Budget:

(a) State: The Governor announced a reduction of \$65 million in State aid to the University for the next fiscal year.

(b) Federal: The President's proposed budget for the coming year contains \$1.5 billion less for higher education than was included for this year. Most of the reduction is in the area of student aid. Special Education Opportunity Grants were eliminated and there was a decrease in aid to veterans. However, Congressional action may change this to some extent.

**2. Grants and Awards:**

(a) Baruch College received a grant of \$150,000 from the Ford Foundation to support the activities of the Center on Collective Bargaining in computerization of data on collective bargaining.

(b) The Graduate School and University Center received a grant to extend over a three-year period of \$480,000 from the Mellon Foundation to support a post-doctoral humanities fellows program.

(c) Antal Jevicki, a Ph.D. graduate of the University, has been appointed to membership in the Institute for Advanced Studies at Princeton University.

Upon motions duly made, seconded and carried, the meeting was adjourned at 5:30 P.M.

**ETTA G. GRASS**  
**Acting Secretary of the Board**