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

HELD

JUNE 1, 1976

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

The Chairman called the meeting to order at 7:16 P.M.

There were present:

Harold M. Jacobs, Chairman Armand D'Angelo Loretta A. Conway Nicholas Figueroa Gurston D. Goldin Albert V. Maniscalco James P. Murphy Vinia R. Quinones

Maynard S. Jones, ex officio

Etta G. Grass, Acting Secretary of the Board

Chancellor Robert J. Kibbee Deputy Chancellor Seymour C. Hyman Vice-Chancellor J. Joseph Meng

Waiver of Notice of Meeting of the Board of Higher Education

We, the undersigned members of the Board of Higher Education, hereby severally waive notice of a special meeting of members thereof to be held on June 1, 1976 at 7:00 P.M. at the Board Office at 535 East 80 Street, Borough of Manhattan, City of New York, to transact such business at such meeting as may lawfully come before said Board.

Dated:

New York, New York

June 1, 1976

s/ Harold M. Jacobs Harold M. Jacobs s/ Armand D'Angelo Armand D'Angelo s/ Albert V. Maniscalco Albert V. Maniscalco s/ James P. Murphy
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s/ Loretta A. Conway Loretta A. Conway s/ Nicholas Figueroa Nicholas Figueroa s/ Gurston D. Goldin Gurston D. Goldin

- NO. 1. NEW BOARD MEMBERS: The Chairman welcomed three new members of the Board, the Honorable Loretta A. Conway, the Honorable Nicholas Figueroa, and the Honorable Albert V. Maniscalco, and commended them for accepting these posts at this time of crisis for the University.
- NO. 2. WAIVER OF THE BYLAWS: Upon motion duly made, seconded and carried, the following resolution was adopted:

RESOLVED, That Section 1.1c. of the bylaws of the Board with respect to the scheduling of public hearings on higher education matters of wide concern be waived.

Mr. D'Angelo, Miss Conway, Mr. Figueroa, Dr. Goldin, Mr. Jacobs, Mr. Maniscalco and Mr. Murphy voted Yes. Mrs. Quinones voted No and asked to be recorded as voting under protest.

NO. 3. TUITION FEES: A motion was made and seconded to adopt the resolution.

Mr. Jones moved to table the resolution. The motion was seconded by Mrs. Quinones. The Chairman ruled the motion out of order since Mr. Jones, as an ex officio, non-voting member, did not have the right to make motions.

The following resolution was adopted:

WHEREAS, The City University has been closed down because of the non-availability of funds to complete the current fiscal year, constituting an unprecedented emergency, which the Board of Higher Education hereby recognizes and proclaims; and

WHEREAS, Governor Carey, Mayor Beame and State legislators are at the present moment giving intensive consideration to the provisions of a legislative enactment which will have the effect of providing:

- (a) Emergency State-City funding to enable the University to meet its immediate overdue fiscal obligations, including salaries and wages, for the balance of the current fiscal year, thus enabling the University to reopen and complete the academic year; and
- (b) State funding for fiscal '76-'77 which, plus City funding plus projected revenue from the imposition of tuition charges on matriculated undergraduate students, would provide a critically austere budget for '76-'77; and
- (c) For the eligibility of CUNY students for Tuition Assistance under the Tuition Assistance Plan, and providing State funding for this purpose; and
- (d) For the future funding of the University on a basis of equity approaching parity with the funding of higher education by the State;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF HIGHER EDUCATION, That it supports the principal thrusts of the provisions of the proposed enactment as described above, designed to achieve a viable University, and expresses its appreciation to the Governor, to State legislators and to the Mayor for their constructive initiatives and arduous labors in this survival crisis in the life of the University; and be it further

RESOLVED, That the Board of Higher Education accepts the necessity of establishing tuition charges for undergraduates in the light of the above, and will enact those changes in bylaws and other rules and regulations which may be necessary to institute such tuition charges, in a manner and to an extent to provide operating revenues for the University to the total amount described below in this resolution, and at the same time, to minimize the hardship upon those students least able to sustain such tuition charges; and be it further

RESOLVED, That the Chancellor is instructed to:

- (a) draw up a schedule of tuition and other student charges at a level comparable with those charged at SUNY, calculated to raise a total of \$135.5 million to be included within the operating revenues of the University; and
- (b) To submit to the Board for its consideration at its next meeting a detailed schedule of such charges, along with such resolutions of promulgation and implementation as may be required; and
- (c) To carry out such consultations as may be possible and desirable with student and faculty representatives on the details of the proposed schedule of tuition charges, and of the proposed changes in rules, regulations, and other arrangements and provisions designed to achieve the purposes and effects described in this resolution, including the purpose of having such tuition charges in place and effect by September, 1976, so that the resultant revenues may be available to meet operating expenditure needs during fiscal 1976-77, and thus be calculated as part of the 1976-77 budget; and be it further

RESOLVED, That the Board directs the Chancellor to submit to the Board for its consideration and approval, at the earliest possible date, the details of an amended budget plan, based on the funding to be provided under the terms of the State enactment referred to above, plus the revenue from tuition and other charges referred to above, including his recommendations for such resolutions and actions by the Board as may be necessary to put such a budget into effect.

Mr. D'Angelo, Miss Conway, Mr. Figueroa, Dr. Goldin, Mr. Jacobs, Mr. Maniscalco and Mr. Murphy voted Yes. Mrs. Quinones voted No.

NO. 4. PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO THE BYLAWS: Notice was served of the introduction of a proposed amendment to the bylaws which would repeal Article XVI, which deals with Admissions. This proposed amendment would come up for action at the June 21 meeting of the Board.

Mr. Jones asked that the record show that he had asked the Chancellor whether graduate tuition could be reduced to the SUNY level and the Chancellor had replied that the resolution adopted by the Board assumes the continuation of graduate tuition as it is now.

Upon motions duly made, seconded and carried, the meeting was adjourned at 10:04 P.M.

ETTA G. GRASS Acting Secretary of the Board