

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

HELD

NOVEMBER 22, 1976

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

The Chairperson called the meeting to order at 5:30 P.M.

There were present:

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

**Loretta A. Conway
Walter H. Crowley
Armand D'Angelo
Edith B. Everett
Nicholas Figueroa
Ronald T. Gault**

**Gurston D. Goldin
Albert V. Maniscalco
Harriet R. Michel
Jack J. Olivero
Emanuel R. Piore
David Z. Robinson**

**David Valinsky, ex officio
Maynard S. Jones, ex officio**

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

**Chancellor Robert J. Kibbee
President Milton G. Bassin
President Edgar D. Draper
Acting President Evangelos J. Gizis
President Leon M. Goldstein
President John W. Kneller
President Leonard Lief
Acting President Gerald W. Lynch
President Robert E. Marshak
Acting President Bernard Mintz
President Harold M. Proshansky
Acting President Morton Rosenstock**

**President Kurt R. Schmeller
President Joseph Shenker
President Herbert M. Sussman
President Richard D. Trent
President Edmond Volpe
President Jacqueline G. Wexler
Deputy Chancellor Seymour C. Hyman
Acting Vice Chancellor Egon Brenner
Vice Chancellor Julius C.C. Edelstein
Vice Chancellor Anthony Knerr
Vice Chancellor J. Joseph Meng**

The absence of Mr. Peter Maas was excused.

Upon motions duly made, seconded and carried, the following resolutions were adopted or action was taken as noted: (Cal. Nos. 1 through 6)

NO. 1. CHANCELLOR'S REPORT: The resolution was moved and seconded.

At this point the Board heard Mr. Arnold Cantor, the Executive Director of the Professional Staff Congress, who spoke on the widespread appointment of adjuncts throughout the University system.

The following resolution was adopted:

RESOLVED, That the Chancellor's Report for November 22, 1976 (including Addendum Items) be approved as amended as follows:

(a) Item D.5. Central Office - Appointment (Annual Salary Basis): Amended to indicate that appointment of John Van Buren Sullivan requires a waiver of the bylaws.

(b) Items listed in PART E - ERRATA, to be withdrawn or changed, as indicated.

NO. 2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES: RESOLVED, That the minutes of the meeting of the Board of Higher Education on October 25, 1976 be approved as circulated.

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

A. BARUCH COLLEGE-CORNELL UNIVERSITY - M.S. IN INDUSTRIAL AND LABOR RELATIONS:

In introducing this item, Dr. Goldin made the following statement for the record:

This is one of the two proposals on the Calendar which represent additional steps in the development of collaborative educational efforts between City University and the public and independent educational sectors. Such consortium arrangements, involving components of this University and other institutions in cooperative educational endeavors, will serve to strengthen and enrich the intellectual life of each sector, augment their educational opportunities, and achieve economies both fiscal and educational.

The following resolution was adopted:

RESOLVED, That the program in Industrial Labor Relations leading to the M.S. degree, to be offered by Baruch College in cooperation with the New York State School of Industrial and Labor Relations at Cornell University, be approved, effective September 1977, subject to financial ability.

EXPLANATION: The need for a comprehensive Master's program in Industrial Labor Relations has been identified by management and professional personnel in the public and private sectors; graduates of the Labor College (an undergraduate program sponsored by SUNY and Cornell); and by many others employed by unions, commerce and industry in the metropolitan area.

The program, developed by a joint Baruch-Cornell Committee, will offer two fields of concentration: collective bargaining (including mediation, arbitration, fact finding, labor law, and labor union history and administration) and personnel and manpower studies. The program will consist of a total of 12 courses or 36 credits plus a thesis or approved alternative research project.

A joint committee selected from the graduate faculties of Baruch and Cornell will be responsible for the academic surveillance of the program, selection of students, and approval of degree candidates. It is anticipated that about 40 students will enroll in the program each year. Tuition and fees paid by students enrolled in a section taught by Cornell University faculty will be charged for at the prevailing Cornell University rates and these monies will be received by Cornell University. At the same time, tuition and fees paid by students enrolled in sections taught by Baruch College faculty will be retained by City University in the usual way. The program does not require additional facilities or faculty. Any costs incurred by Baruch will be absorbed by the college within its regular operating budget.

B. GRADUATE SCHOOL AND UNIVERSITY CENTER - INSTITUTE FOR THE STUDY OF WOMEN AND SEX ROLES:

RESOLVED, That the Institute for the Study of Women and Sex Roles be established at the CUNY Graduate School and University Center, subject to the receipt of outside funding to cover all costs of the Institute.

EXPLANATION: The purpose of the Institute is to promote the scholarly study of women and sex roles; to encourage and coordinate on a university-wide basis graduate and undergraduate courses related to this field; to develop, encourage and/or sponsor research projects in the study of women and sex roles; and to develop and sponsor programs in community education on topics related to women and sex roles. No institution currently exists in the metropolitan area to fulfill these functions. The Institute will establish a mechanism for seeking outside funds. It will not offer courses, give degrees, or require any new tax levy funding.

Dr. Goldin asked to be recorded as voting No.

C. HOSTOS COMMUNITY COLLEGE - DISCONTINUANCE OF A.A.S. PROGRAM IN NURSING:

RESOLVED, That effective September 1, 1976, the Associate in Applied Science (AAS) degree program in nursing at Hostos Community College be discontinued.

EXPLANATION: The Chancellor's Task Force on the future of Health Sciences recommended the termination of this nursing program, and in light of the budget crisis, the President of Hostos Community College decided to close it. The Central Office has made arrangements to insure that all students are able to transfer to equivalent programs without loss of credit. The University will notify the State Education Department that registration is no longer needed.

D. BROOKLYN COLLEGE - BROOKLYN LAW SCHOOL - M.A. PROGRAM IN POLITICAL SCIENCE:

RESOLVED, That the Board of Higher Education authorizes Brooklyn College to articulate its M.A. Program in Political Science with the J.D. Program at Brooklyn Law School, effective November 1976, subject to financial ability.

EXPLANATION: Brooklyn College is already authorized to award the M.A. in Political Science. This articulated program will offer a concentration in Policy Analysis and will prepare law students for careers related to the formulation, administration, or evaluation of public policies. It will also provide students with additional credentials (the M.A. degree) and supplementary skills that will enhance their qualifications for competitive positions in the field of law. The program will be administered by a joint Brooklyn Law-Brooklyn College Committee. Tuition fees will be collected and retained by each institution for the courses taught by its faculty. The program does not require additional faculty or facilities. Any expenses incurred at Brooklyn College will be absorbed within its regular operating budget.

NO. 4. COMMITTEE ON FACILITIES PLANNING AND MANAGEMENT: RESOLVED, That the following item be adopted:

A. SENIOR COLLEGE - REMOVAL OF ARCHITECTURAL BARRIERS FOR HANDICAPPED:

RESOLVED, That the Board of Higher Education approve the contract documents as prepared by the Office of Facilities Planning and Management, and authorize the Office of Facilities Planning and Management to bid and award the contract to the lowest responsible bidder for the removal of architectural barriers for the handicapped at various Senior College campuses and buildings at an estimated cost of \$100,000 chargeable to Second Year Funds of the Federal Government's Community Development Act for projects for the handicapped; and be it further

RESOLVED, That the Director of Management and Budget be requested to approve said documents and authorize said expenditure for the proposed contract.

EXPLANATION: Alterations and Site Work are required at Baruch College, Brooklyn College, City College, Hunter College, Queens College, John Jay College, Lehman College, York College, the Graduate Center and the Board of Higher Education Central Office to remove various barriers for the handicapped. These alterations include ramps, door modifications and toilet alterations. Many college buildings have been built or acquired which did not consider the needs of the handicapped or lacked the facilities for the disabled. Therefore, it has become necessary to correct and remove all possible architectural barriers for the handicapped.

The Community Development Act, Second Year Funds, has allocated \$100,000 for this work.

NO. 5. COMMITTEE ON CENTRAL ADMINISTRATION: RESOLVED, That the following items be adopted:

A. QUEENSBOROUGH COMMUNITY COLLEGE GOVERNANCE PLAN:

RESOLVED, That the Queensborough Community College Governance Plan be approved.

NOTE: A copy of the Governance Plan is on file in the Office of the Secretary of the Board.

B. NEW YORK CITY COMMUNITY COLLEGE GOVERNANCE PLAN:

RESOLVED, That the New York City Community College Governance Plan be approved.

Amendments to the Plan are subject to Board approval.

NOTE: A copy of the Governance Plan is on file in the Office of the Secretary of the Board.

C. BROOKLYN COLLEGE GOVERNANCE PLAN:

The resolution was moved and seconded.

At this point the Board heard the following who spoke against the Plan:

Prof. Richard H.P. Mendes, Vice-Chairperson, Brooklyn College Chapter, Professional Staff Congress
Mr. Jeff Kraus, Brooklyn College Student Body President
Ms. Marlene Kopiec, Brooklyn College Student

and the following who spoke in favor of the Plan:

Prof. Shirley Wedeen, Brooklyn College Faculty Council
Prof. Alvin Halpern, Brooklyn College A.A.U.P. Chapter
Prof. Melvin Ferentz, Brooklyn College Master Plan Committee

The following resolution was adopted:

RESOLVED, That the governance structure presented by Brooklyn College be approved with the understanding that Brooklyn College will proceed to develop amendments to this structure, which will insure student and junior faculty participation in the decision-making process of the College and its constituent schools, and present those amendments to the Board prior to June 1977.

EXPLANATION: The proposed governance structure does not fully comply with the Board's Statement of Policy on the Organization and Governance of The City University of New York in that it does not insure complete student participation in the decision-making process at all levels and fails to guarantee adequate inclusion of junior faculty in the decision-making process.

The resolutions above are intended to authorize Brooklyn College to operate under the proposed governance structure and to utilize the Policy Council for developing amendments which will conform the structure more closely to the Board's Governance Guidelines. These changes are to be completed and submitted to the Board prior to the end of the Spring 1977 semester.

NOTE: A copy of the Governance Plan is on file in the Office of the Secretary of the Board.

D. GUIDELINES FOR THE PERIODIC REVIEW AND ASSESSMENT OF THE CHANCELLOR AND PRESIDENTS OF THE CITY UNIVERSITY OF NEW YORK: - Item Tabled.

Mr. Jones asked to be recorded as being opposed to tabling the item since this was inconsistent with the action taken on the previous resolution.

E. POLICY FOR NAMING OF SCHOOLS, BUILDINGS OR PARTS THEREOF:

RESOLVED, That a resolution relating to the naming of schools, buildings, or parts thereof adopted on December 21, 1959 (Cal. No. 6) be and the same is hereby repealed; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a proposal to designate a school, building, or part thereof by the name of any person, living or dead, or entity, may be recommended by the President of the college or other unit of which such school or other facility is a part to the Chancellor, and if he approves, the Chancellor may make a recommendation thereon to the Board; and be it further

RESOLVED, That no public announcement of any such designation shall be made until authorized by the Board.

EXPLANATION: The resolution establishes a procedure for the Board to designate names for schools, buildings or parts thereof so as to permit the honoring of outstanding and worthy persons thereby.

F. BYLAW AMENDMENTS:

(a) Notice was served of a proposed amendment to Article I of the bylaws of the Board relating to the scheduling of public hearings.

In accordance with bylaw provisions, the text of the bylaw amendment will be circulated ten days before the next regularly scheduled meeting of the Board.

EXPLANATION: The bylaw is being amended to clarify the policy of the Board with respect to public hearings.

(b) Notice was served of a proposed amendment to Article I of the bylaws of the Board relating to speakers at stated meetings of the Board.

In accordance with bylaw provisions, the text of the bylaw amendment will be circulated ten days before the next regularly scheduled meeting of the Board.

EXPLANATION: The bylaw is being amended so as to permit the Board to give fuller consideration to statements made by members of the public at Board meetings.

NO. 6. UNIVERSITY REPORT: The Chancellor reported on the following matters of Board and University interest:

(a) A communication had been received from the President of the Higher Education Services Corporation which would have made ineligible for Tuition Assistance Grants a large number of students since it indicated that only one credit would be allowed for each two contact hours of non-credit remedial work. Many students would, therefore, have been considered part-time students and ineligible for TAP. The matter was taken up with the State Commissioner of Education, the President of the Higher Education Services Corporation, and the Chairman of the State Assembly Higher Education Committee. The Chancellor has since been informed that that ruling was being rescinded.

(b) The following grants have been received:

(1) A grant of \$170,000 from the Federal Government to Queensborough Community College to support its Homebound Program.

(2) Grants to LaGuardia Community College of \$840,000 for occupational therapy and bilingual programs and \$208,000 as a model career educational college.

(c) The Chancellor introduced Mr. John Van Buren Sullivan, who will serve as Deputy to the Chancellor for University Relations.

NO. 7. COMMENDATION OF CITY COLLEGE ADMINISTRATION: Dr. Goldin read for the record the following statement commending the administration of City College:

I wish to commend the administration of The City College for its prompt intervention last week in response to an ominous attempt to suppress freedom of expression at the College and for its timely and vigorous defense of that vital freedom on campus.

Mr. Chairman, I would hope that it is really unnecessary to make any exhortation on the need to maintain intellectual freedom on our campuses, and our responsibility to ensure that students, as well as scholars and teachers, in our University are protected in their exercise of it.

In my opinion, Mr. Chairman, this freedom can be compromised, if not fatally subverted, not only by overt reprisals for its exercise, but also by the covert retribution represented by the threat or fear of retaliation. The value of freedom of thought and expression within our academic community is not diminished, in any way, because error may, at times, arise from its exercise.

I am confident that our Board reaffirms its absolute commitment to the principle of intellectual freedom and our solemn obligation to preserve and nourish the exercise of this freedom.

Upon motions duly made, seconded and carried, the meeting was adjourned at 6:56 P.M.

RICHARD M. CATALANO
Secretary of the Board