

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

HELD

MAY 18, 1977

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

The Chairperson called the meeting to order at 5:37 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
Jack John Olivero
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 Milton G. Bassin
President Candido A. de Leon
President Leon M. Goldstein
President John W. Kneller
President Leonard Lief
President Gerald W. Lynch
Acting President Bernard Mintz**

**President Harold M. Proshansky
President Morton Rosenstock
President Joseph Shenker
Acting President Nathaniel H. Siegel
President Herbert M. Sussman
President Richard D. Trent
Acting Vice-Chancellor Egon Brenner
Vice-Chancellor Julius C.C. Edelstein
Vice-Chancellor J. Joseph Meng**

The absence of Mrs. Michel, Mr. D'Angelo, Mr. Figueroa, Mr. Maniscalco and Dr. Piore was excused.

Upon motions duly made, seconded and carried, the following resolutions were adopted or action was taken as noted: (Calendar Nos. 1 through 8)

NO. 1. CHANCELLOR'S REPORT: A motion was made and seconded to approve the Chancellor's Report. The Chancellor read amendments to Item BI.8.6 NR 2 and Item D. 10. As the two individuals who had requested permission to speak to Item D. 10 had not yet arrived, action on the Chancellor's Report was postponed.

NO. 2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES: RESOLVED, That the minutes of the Board of Higher Education meeting of April 25, 1977 be approved as circulated.

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

A. LEHMAN COLLEGE - B.A. IN ITALIAN-AMERICAN STUDIES:

RESOLVED, That the program in Italian-American Studies leading to a B.A. degree, to be offered at Lehman College, effective September 1, 1977, be approved, subject to financial ability and also subject to the College defining conditions whereby a co-major would be required except that a student preparing for a provisional certificate in education need not satisfy the co-major requirement.

EXPLANATION: This program will provide Lehman students with an opportunity to study the history, literature, language, social structure, and other aspects of the life of Italian-Americans. This program will provide students with interdisciplinary courses which use this ethnic group as a focus. It will also provide students with an opportunity for a dual major in such fields as History, Sociology, Anthropology, or Romance Languages.

B. STUDENTS IN TRANSITIONAL PROGRAMS:

RESOLVED, That students who, in accordance with the BHE resolution adopted on April 5, 1976 (Calendar No. 6), are placed into transitional programs at the colleges, be matriculated in a program of study leading to a college degree; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a transitional program for these students be defined as necessary skills development courses within a degree program.

EXPLANATION: In adopting Calendar No. 6 on April 5, 1976, it was the Board's intention that students in transitional programs be matriculated for a degree while initially pursuing a program of study including appropriate remedial, compensatory, and developmental courses. The present resolution is intended to clarify the status of such students.

NO. 3C. APPRECIATION OF SERVICES - DUNCAN B. PARDUE:

Upon motions duly made, seconded and carried, the following resolution was adopted:

WHEREAS, Duncan B. Pardue joined the staff of Brooklyn College in 1966 and transferred to the Office of the Chairman of the Board of Higher Education in 1970, where he served subsequently under three different Boards and four Chairmen, and

WHEREAS, His services to the University have encompassed a period of rapid growth and expanded educational opportunity, of which he was an effective advocate, and

WHEREAS, Mr. Pardue has been an exemplar of the finest traditions of career public service - conscientious, industrious, and self-effacing - and has fulfilled with dignity and devotion his commitment to the well-being of City University, and

WHEREAS, He has made known his intention to leave the City University for a post in a major corporation, now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED, That the Board of Higher Education expresses its regret over his departure, extends its sincere appreciation for his years of devoted service and wishes him success in his new undertaking.

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

A. HUNTER COLLEGE - BELLEVUE SCHOOL OF NURSING:

RESOLVED, That the Board of Higher Education request the Board of Estimate to assign to the City University, on behalf of Hunter College, the premises known as the Bellevue School of Nursing, located at First Avenue and East 25th Street, New York, N. Y.; and be it further

RESOLVED, That said premises shall be designated for use by Hunter College for educational purposes to include conduct of its programs in nursing education and other health related professions.

EXPLANATION: This resolution will permit consummation of the agreement existing since 1969 between the City University of New York and the Health and Hospital Corporation's predecessor agency, the Department of Hospitals, regarding transfer of the Hunter-Bellevue School of Nursing educational facility from Hospitals to CUNY. The initial agreement was approved by the Board of Estimate on June 2, 1967 (Calendar No. 225) and approved again in amended form on July 24, 1969 (Calendar No. 364). Completion of the agreement was postponed because of hospital employee problems connected with subsidized meal and residency provisions, and because of differential reimbursement to the City of New York for health care versus higher educational institutions. These issues have now resolved themselves.

The Hunter-Bellevue Nursing Education programs have occupied a portion of the facility since 1967 and have grown to an enrollment of approximately 1800 students. Consummation of the existing agreement at this time will assure continued availability of the facility for this nationally recognized nursing program; will provide a location suitable for the ultimate relocation of the Hunter School of Health Sciences and its allied health professions educational programs; and will qualify Hunter College to attract substantial private philanthropic and federal grant monies for the purpose of renovating the facility.

B. BRONX COMMUNITY COLLEGE - ALTERATION OF TECHNOLOGY II BUILDING:

RESOLVED, That the Board of Higher Education accept preliminary plans, outline specifications and preliminary construction cost estimate of \$1,993,000 (as of April, 1977) for alteration of the Technology II Building for Bronx Community College as prepared by Brown, Guenther, Battaglia, Architects and Planners; and be it further

RESOLVED, That the City University Construction Fund be requested to accept the aforesaid preliminary plans, outline specifications and preliminary construction cost estimate of \$1,993,000 and to authorize the Dormitory Authority to complete final plans, specifications and bid documents for this project.

EXPLANATION: Proposed construction at Bronx Community College consists of implementing certain urgent on-campus rehabilitation work which was recommended in the Campus Master Plan.

The work proposed calls for the alteration of existing classrooms, Engineering and Science Laboratories and related spaces to provide suitable facilities for the College's Biology, Chemistry, Mathematics and Physics Departments. A total of 91,418 net assignable square feet is to be provided in the building which contains 208,840 gross square feet.

Heretofore, on October 28, 1974, The Board approved the selection of Architects and Engineers for various design packages. The Preliminary Cost of \$1,993,000 as of April, 1977, when compared with the tentative cost estimate of \$1,654,000 as of March, 1974, appears reasonable.

The preliminary plans, outline specifications and cost estimate have been reviewed by the College, the Office of Facilities Planning and Management and the Dormitory Authority and acceptance by the Board is recommended in order that the Architects may proceed with development of final plans, specifications and cost estimates.

Dr. Goldin abstained.

C. LEHMAN COLLEGE - FUNDS FOR COMPLETION OF CONSTRUCTION:

RESOLVED, That the form and substance of proposed Supplemental Agreement L, dated as of May 17, 1977, which bears a title page which reads: DORMITORY AUTHORITY OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK AND CITY UNIVERSITY CONSTRUCTION FUND AND BOARD OF HIGHER EDUCATION IN THE CITY OF NEW YORK - SUPPLEMENTAL AGREEMENT L DATED AS OF MAY 17, 1977 (CITY UNIVERSITY ISSUE) is hereby approved; the Chairman of the Board of Higher Education is hereby authorized and directed to execute such Supplemental Agreement L and to cause the seal of such Board to be affixed thereto; and the Secretary of the Board of Higher Education is hereby authorized and directed to affix his signature thereto in attestation of such seal; and be it further

RESOLVED, That notwithstanding any other provision of this resolution, prior to the execution of such Supplemental L, changes, insertions and omissions may be made thereto as may be approved by the Chairman of the Board of Higher Education and the execution by said Chairman of such Supplemental Agreement L containing such changes, insertions, and the attestation thereto by the Secretary, shall be conclusive evidence of such approval.

EXPLANATION: This agreement will provide for an increase in the authorized project cost for Lehman College Complexes I, II, and III and a compensating decrease in the authorized cost for certain other projects which were or will be completed in amounts less than had been authorized. The increase is necessary to provide an adequate budget for the completion of the now suspended Lehman College construction.

Dr. Goldin voted No.

NO. 1. CHANCELLOR'S REPORT: At this point the Board heard the following who spoke on Item D.10 questioning procedures of the merger and commenting on the issue of workload:

Professor Henry Wasser, Vice-Chairman of the Faculty Council at the former Richmond St. George campus and delegate to the University Faculty Senate

Professor Claude Campbell, representing the Executive Committee of the Faculty Council of The College of Staten Island (Sunnyside)

The following resolution was adopted:

RESOLVED, That the Chancellor's Report for May 18, 1977 (including Addendum Items) be approved, as amended as follows:

(a) Item B1.8.6. NR 2 (York College): Delete appointment of William E. Moore as Assistant Professor, Department of Academic Development.

(b) Item D. 10. THE COLLEGE OF STATEN ISLAND: Resolution adopted to read as follows:

RESOLVED, That effective June 13, 1977, The College of Staten Island will function with a governance as established by the Bylaws and as one faculty with the following departments: Applied Sciences (Physics, Geology, Astronomy and Engineering Sciences); Biology; Business; Chemistry; Education; Electric Technology; English, Speech and World Literature; Health and Physical Education; History; Library; Mathematics; Mechanical Technology; Modern Language; Nursing; Performing and Creative Arts; Political Science, Economics, Philosophy; Psychology, Sociology, Anthropology. The process of reorganization will not affect seniority rights of individuals and faculty members. Initial elections in merged units will be for one year. Assignment of work load to teaching members of the staff within the policies and Bylaws of the Board and the provisions of the collective bargaining agreement will be subject to final approval by the president; and be it further

RESOLVED, That at the end of one year the effects of the merger be reviewed and assessed by the president and the appropriate faculty bodies and that the reports of each be submitted to the Chancellor and the Board of Higher Education for their consideration.

(c) 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.

Professor Valinsky read the following statement for the record:

As Chairman of the University Faculty Senate and ex-officio member of the Board of Higher Education, I should like to record on the minutes my grave concern regarding the procedures being employed in relation to major policy decisions of the Board. In recent months the Board has taken action on a number of issues with undue haste and without thorough consideration of the many complex factors involved. The Board's premature action has generated a growing dissatisfaction among the faculty and students of the University community since it has left fundamental problems unresolved. In addition, precipitous action is a source of embarrassment to the Board as well as a contributing factor to the demoralization of the University community.

A specific example of the mishandling of Board business is included in today's agenda where a major policy action has been put forward as a routine item in an addendum to the Chancellor's Report. In principle, it is not appropriate for the members of this Board to have to search through the voluminous materials sent them to insure that they are fully informed about the items on which they are acting. A precedent-setting action such as the merger of the two campuses of The College of Staten Island ought to have been a separate Calendar Item. It ought not to have been brought to the Board for action having been introduced simply for ad hoc discussion at the end of a meeting of a Board sub-committee and without having appeared on the agenda of that committee.

When members of a Board are asked to make major policy decisions without thorough knowledge of the issues involved, when the Board is asked to take action unaware of the full implications of their decision, the effect is to undermine their role as the guardians of the University's well-being and to destroy confidence in their wisdom as the responsible agents for the University's governance.

NO. 5. COMMITTEE ON CENTRAL ADMINISTRATION: RESOLVED, That the following items be adopted or action taken as noted:

A. BYLAW AMENDMENTS: Dr. Robinson, on behalf of the Committee on Central Administration, served notice of the introduction of the following amendments to the Bylaws of the Board:

(1) Amendments to Articles VI and XI of the Bylaws to reflect College Laboratory Technicians' title change as a result of the Board of Higher Education/Professional Staff Congress contract.

(2) Amendment to Article XI of the Bylaws with respect to equivalencies.

The proposed amendments will come up for action at the June meeting of the Board.

B. NAMING OF GYMNASIUM - THE CITY COLLEGE:

RESOLVED, That the gymnasium in the Mahoney Building at City College be named the Nathan "Nat" Holman Gymnasium.

EXPLANATION: Nathan Holman made an outstanding contribution to City College during a thirty-seven year career as coach and teacher. From 1917 through 1959, Mr. Holman was a professor of Physical Education and head basketball coach. During this period, Mr. Holman guided City College teams to numerous national championships culminated by the 1950 "grand slam", the first in basketball history: that year City College won both the NCAA and NIT tournaments.

Mr. Holman has represented the Department of State, lecturing on sports and teaching basketball in Canada, Israel, Korea, Mexico, Taiwan, and Turkey. Since 1970 he has served as President of the U.S. Committee of Sports for Israel. A member of the Board of Trustees of the Naismith Basketball Hall of Fame, Mr. Holman has twice been inducted into the Basketball Hall of Fame at Springfield, Illinois. He is the author of four texts on coaching.

In recognition of Mr. Holman's unparalleled contribution to the athletic program of City College and his contribution to the sports program of this and other countries, City College wishes to name its gymnasium in his honor.

The President of City College and the Chancellor of the City University have approved this recommendation.

C. FACULTY WELFARE BENEFITS FOR RETIREES:

RESOLVED, That paragraph number 3 of a resolution entitled Faculty Welfare Benefits for Retirees, adopted June 23, 1975 (Calendar number 6) be and the same is hereby repealed.

EXPLANATION: On June 23, 1975, the Board of Higher Education authorized the Faculty Welfare Trustees to extend Faculty Welfare Benefits to persons retired prior to July 1, 1966 from positions to which Faculty Welfare Benefits are applicable, on the same basis as such benefits are made available to persons retired on or after July 1, 1966, under certain conditions. One condition, which this resolution repeals, restricted the extension of benefits to retirees who filed applications for benefits coverage during a continuous six month period ending no later than December 31, 1975. The Faculty Welfare Trustees have requested the Board of Higher Education to authorize them to accept applications from such retirees who did not file applications prior to December 31, 1975. According to the Trustees, at least two pre-1966 retirees did not file on time. This resolution would permit the acceptance by the Trustees of applications by these persons.

NO. 6. HONORARY DEGREES: RESOLVED, That the following honorary degrees, approved by the appropriate faculty bodies, the Council of Presidents and recommended by the Chancellor be presented at the commencement exercises as specified:

Recipient	Institution	Degree
Dr. Lester I. Conrad	Brooklyn College	Doctor of Science
Dr. Frank Stanton	Brooklyn College	Doctor of Humane Letters
Dr. Aaron B. Wildavsky	Brooklyn College	Doctor of Laws
Hon. Joseph A. Califano, Jr.	The City College	Doctor of Laws
Mrs. Sophie Davis	The City College	Doctor of Humane Letters
Dr. I.I. Rabi	The City College	Doctor of Science
Hon. Ramsey Clark	John Jay College of Criminal Justice	Doctor of Laws
Commissioner Michael J. Codd	John Jay College of Criminal Justice	Doctor of Laws
Hon. Rebecca Markowitz	John Jay College of Criminal Justice	Doctor of Civil Laws
Mr. Anthony Schwartz	John Jay College of Criminal Justice	Doctor of Humane Letters
Hon. Harold A. Stevens	John Jay College of Criminal Justice	Doctor of Laws

It was understood that the Chancellor will discuss with the Presidents of the University the substance of the Board's informal discussion relating to the granting of honorary degrees.

NO. 7. SALK SCHOLARSHIPS: RESOLVED, That the Board approve the award of the Jonas E. Salk Scholarships to the following graduates who have been recommended by the Chancellor:

WITH STIPEND

Eli Friedler, Brooklyn College
 Jeffrey Garrett, Queens College
 Lisa Kaplan, Hunter College
 Nachum Katlowitz, Brooklyn College
 Leo Rozmaryn, Queens College
 Pia Susman, City College
 Stuart Wachter, City College
 Jonathan Zinberg, Brooklyn College

HONORARY (in order selected)

John Stassi, Queens College
 Margaret Sullivan, Hunter College
 Susan Ball, City College
 Robert Perlmutter, Queens College
 Lawrence Cheskin, Lehman College
 Victoria Ann Gorski, City College
 Marvin Lipsky, Brooklyn College
 Helmuth Datareanu, Lehman College

NO. 8. UNIVERSITY REPORT: No report.

Upon motions duly made, seconded and carried, the meeting was adjourned at 6:07 P.M.

RICHARD M. CATALANO
 Secretary of the Board