

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

HELD

JUNE 18, 1979

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

The Chairperson called the meeting to order at 5:12 P.M.

There were present:

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

**Walter H. Crowley
Armand D'Angelo
Edith B. Everett
Gurston D. Goldin
Albert V. Maniscalco**

**Emanuel R. Piore
Joaquin Rivera
David Z. Robinson
Stuart Scheftel**

Edward A. Roberts, ex officio

**Martin J. Warmbrand, Secretary of the Board
Paula Levitt, Acting General Counsel**

**Chancellor Robert J. Kibbee
President Milton G. Bassin
President Roscoe C. Brown, Jr.
President Saul B. Cohen
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President Leon M. Goldstein
President Leonard Lief
President Kurt R. Schmeller
President Joel Segall**

**President Joseph Shenker
President Joshua L. Smith
President Richard D. Trent
President Edmond Volpe
Deputy Chancellor Egon Brenner
Vice Chancellor Richard M. Catalano
Vice Chancellor Dolores Cross
Vice Chancellor Julius C.C. Edelstein
Vice Chancellor Jerald Posman**

The absence of Ms. Conway and Ms. Maynard was excused.

The Chairperson introduced the Governor's Assistant Secretary for Education and the Arts, Mr. Henrik Dullea, and welcomed Mr. Maniscalco back to the Board after his illness.

NO. 1. TUITION INCREASE: Dr. Jacobs described the Board's recent negotiations with the City in an attempt to secure funds to avert an increase.

In presenting the resolution, the Chancellor reported on the fiscal situation in the colleges which necessitated an increase in tuition.

The resolution was moved and seconded.

Mr. Roberts moved that the Board table the resolution until a more detailed study of the impact of a tuition increase could be made and until the City budget had been approved.

The Acting General Counsel ruled that as an ex officio member of the Board, Mr. Roberts was not empowered to make motions.

The motion was thereupon made by Mr. Rivera and seconded by Mr. Crowley. The motion failed with Mr. Rivera and Dr. Piore voting in the affirmative and the others present voting in the negative.

The following resolution was adopted:

RESOLVED, That the tuition charge for resident lower division full-time undergraduate students including all full-time resident community college students be \$462.50 per semester, an annual increase of \$150; and be it further

RESOLVED, That the undergraduate tuition charges adopted on June 14, 1976 (Cal. No. 3) as amended on February 28, 1977 (Cal. No. 3A), April 25, 1977 (Cal. No. 4), June 20, 1977 (Cal. No. C), June 26, 1978 (Cal. No. 2), and September 25, 1978 (Cal. No. 2) be amended as indicated below, effective and applicable to any scheduled session commencing on or after September 1, 1979:

UNDERGRADUATE TUITION FEE SCHEDULE

New York (City) State Residents (See notes 1 and 2 below)

{ Lower Division

Full-Time <u>Undergraduates</u>	[\$387.50]	<u>\$462.50 per semester</u>
Part-Time <u>Lower Division Undergraduates</u>		\$ 35.00 per credit
Part-Time <u>Upper Division Undergraduates</u>		\$ 40.00 per credit

{ Upper Division

Full-Time		\$462.50 per semester
Part-Time		\$ 40.00 per credit]

Non-(City) State Residents (Incl. Foreign Students) (See notes 1 and 2 below)

<u>Full-Time Undergraduates</u>		<u>\$712.50 per semester</u>
<u>Part-Time Undergraduates</u>		<u>\$ 55.00 per credit</u>

{ Lower Division

Full-Time		\$712.50 per semester
Part-Time		\$ 55.00 per credit

Upper Division

Full-Time		\$712.50 per semester
Part-Time		\$ 55.00 per credit]

Note: Additions are underlined, deletions are bracketed.

1. A State resident student at a community college is:

a. one who has had his or her principal place of abode in the City of New York for a period of at least twelve consecutive months immediately preceding the first day of classes for the session [semester] for which the residency determination is made, and states his or her intention to live permanently and maintain his or her principal place of abode in New York City [.] or

b. [Tuition fees of a New York State resident attending a CUNY community college] one who has obtained a certificate of residence from a New York State county outside of New York City, [shall be reduced by the amount of the charge-back to be collected from the county of residence.] The certificate of residence must have been issued within two months prior to the completion of registration and must be filed with the registrar before completion of registration. A certificate of residence is valid for a period of one year from the date of issuance.

2. A State resident student at a senior college is one who has had his or her principal place of abode in the State of New York for a period of at least twelve consecutive months immediately preceding the first day of classes for the [semester] session for which the residency determination is made, and states his or her intention to live permanently and maintain his or her principal place of abode in New York State [City].

3. A full-time undergraduate student is one who is enrolled for twelve (12) credits or equivalent, or more. A part-time student is one who is enrolled for less than twelve (12) credits or equivalent.

4. The tuition fee rate to be charged shall be determined by a student's status as a full or part-time student, and residency. Status as a matriculated or non-degree student shall not be taken into account in determining the tuition fee rate.

5. An upper division student is one who has received passing grades in courses representing sixty-one (61) or more credits. A lower division student is one who received passing grades in courses representing fewer than sixty-one (61) credits. Candidates for associate degrees shall be classified as lower division students.

6. The schedule of tuition fees shall apply to all scheduled sessions, regardless of duration, subject to such special tuition fee rates as may be established by the Board.

7. A child of a member of the permanent staff of the Board, or a child of a deceased or retired member of such staff who had served for more than five years on an annual salary, or a child of an employee of the City of New York or of a City agency who is required to live outside the City of New York in the performance of his or her official duties shall be charged resident rates.

8. Employees, spouses of employees and dependent children of employees of the United Nations shall be charged resident tuition rates.

9. The resident rate shall be applicable to a student of another college or university which grants in exchange resident rates to a student of a college within The City University of New York. Evidence of satisfactory educational qualifications must be presented and the approval of the president of such college within City University is required.

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EXPLANATION: The University continues to be affected by the fiscal distress of the City of New York. In an effort to balance the City's budget, the Mayor has proposed a budget of \$169.5 million for the community colleges incorporating an assumption of a \$150 tuition increase for students in the community colleges in his Executive Budget. This represents a \$4.3 million reduction from the anticipated needs of the colleges based on current expenditures and mandatory increases. In the absence of an increase in the tuition charge, an additional reduction in the budget amounting to \$6.3 million would be required. While aware of the negative impact tuition increases have on students, the Board of Higher Education has concluded that such a reduction would cause a catastrophic effect on the educational programs of the colleges and render them incapable of fulfilling their missions to their students and to the City.

In the senior colleges there are similar needs. Moreover, it is desirable to have a tuition level comparable to that of the State University. The Board has in addition affirmed the importance of keeping the cost of education at the entire University identical. By increasing the charge for lower division full-time undergraduates this will be accomplished.

The schedule reflects changes only in lower division charges for resident full-time undergraduates. Upper division full-time undergraduate, part-time undergraduate, graduate and out-of-state charges are not affected.

Mr. Rivera voted No.

The Board members who had voted in the affirmative asked the record to show that they had voted for the resolution because they felt they had no other choice and that in forcing this increase on the University the Mayor was in effect hurting the City.

It was the sense of the Board that, subject to the availability of additional funds and subject to other necessary approvals, the University be alert to opportunities for increasing its tuition waiver programs, particularly for independent students.

Mr. Roberts asked that the record include the text of a resolution adopted by the University Faculty Senate with respect to the tuition increase, as follows:

WHEREAS, The present administration of the City of New York has repeatedly demonstrated its hostility towards the City's University; and

WHEREAS, That administration now threatens to withhold funds from its contribution to the operating budgets of the University's community colleges unless tuition is increased; and

WHEREAS, There can be no parity in tuition without parity in facilities; and

WHEREAS, CUNY's students are already the victims of cutbacks in programs and services as well as woefully inadequate facilities and are therefore the stepchildren of New York's higher education sector; therefore be it

RESOLVED, That the University Faculty Senate cooperate with the University Student Senate in opposing attempts to require a tuition increase.

Unanimously Adopted by the 84th Plenary Session, May 1, 1979.

Upon motions duly made, seconded and carried, the meeting was adjourned at 6:20 P.M.

MARTIN J. WARMBRAND
Secretary of the Board