

**MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL MEETING OF THE BOARD OF
TRUSTEES OF THE CITY UNIVERSITY OF NEW YORK**

HELD

NOVEMBER 5, 1979

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

In the absence of the Chair, the Vice Chair called the meeting to order at 4:41 P.M.

There were present:

Patricia Carry Stewart, Vice Chair

Walter H. Crowley
Edith B. Everett
Gurston D. Goldin
Albert V. Maniscalco

Joan B. Maynard
Emanuel R. Piore
David Z. Robinson
Stuart Scheffel

Ann M. Burton, ex officio

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 Leonard Lief
President Ursula Schwerin

President Joel Segall
Vice Chancellor Richard M. Catalano
Vice Chancellor Jerald Posman
Vice Chancellor Leonard O. Roellig

The absence of Mr. Jacobs, Ms. Conway, Mr. D'Angelo, and Mr. Rivera was excused.

A. ORAL REPORT OF THE CHANCELLOR: The Chancellor gave a brief report on the budget hearing held October 29, 1979. He stated that the speakers addressed two major issues. One dealt with the location of the City University Law School at Queens College since there is an allocation in the budget request for some start-up money for that purpose. There were a number of speakers, primarily from John Jay College of Criminal Justice, who contended that the law school was more appropriately related to the total John Jay operation and should be located at John Jay College rather than at Queens.

The second major issue dealt with the question of financial aid for part-time students in the senior colleges. Allocations in previous budget requests for this purpose had been disallowed by the State Budget Office.

Upon motions duly made, seconded and carried, the following resolution was adopted and action was taken as noted:

NO. 1. 1980-81 BUDGET REQUEST: RESOLVED, That the 1980-81 Budget Request of \$554.8 million, including part-time tuition waivers of \$1.5 million for the community colleges and \$1.7 million for the senior colleges, be adopted.

A copy of the 1980-81 Budget Request is on file in the Office of the Secretary of the Board.

EXPLANATION: The Chancellor has recommended to the Board of Trustees an operating Budget Request for 1980-81 of \$554.8 million, an increase of \$40.4 million or 7.8 percent over the current year's budget, as adjusted by a Deficiency Budget Request to the State, of \$514.4 million. This increase includes funds for college operations, the SEEK and College Discovery programs University Management and University-wide programs, and fringe benefits.

The \$40.4 million increase is made up of \$29.2 million for the senior colleges, \$7.6 million for the community colleges and \$3.6 million for New York City Community College and the College of Staten Island. The sum requested for the latter two institutions is consistent with proposed special legislation which would have the State, instead of the City, determine the budgets of these colleges.

A public hearing on the Budget Request was held on October 16, 1979. A second public hearing was held on October 29, 1979.

The Vice Chair read the following statement from the Chair, the Honorable Harold M. Jacobs, into the record:

I support the resolution on part-time TAP because it is extremely important that part-time students at The City University of New York receive tuition assistance. As one who has been for TAP for part-time students for years I sincerely hope that it will be provided for in our budget. In any case, we should continue it in our annual budget request in order that sincere and dedicated part-time students be encouraged to pursue their studies.

The Board asked that the record show that if the request for financial aid for part-time students is disallowed in the budget, the Chancellor would pursue other strategies in an attempt to secure such funds.

The Board asked that the record also show that although it was very sympathetic with the views of the students at John Jay College, it felt that the best strategy for securing a law school for the University was to approve the proposed allocation of funds for its establishment at Queens College. The Chancellor added that the law school might be set up so that it could serve the needs of the students at John Jay College and other institutions and that this would be part of the discussion with respect to the formation of the school.

NO. 2. REPORT ON BUDGET MATTERS: Vice Chancellor Posman reported briefly on several budget problems facing the University in the near future.

The State is facing a major budget deficit in 1980-81 and is considering the imposition of expenditure ceilings and position freezing in the current year. The year 1980-81 will, therefore, be a difficult year for the senior colleges.

With respect to the community colleges, the City anticipates a budget gap of from \$122 million to \$285 million in 1980-81 and \$600+ million in 1981-82. The range depends in part upon the outcome of collective bargaining and upon the amount of revenue to be received from the State and the Federal Government. The University has been asked to provide for the City information on the anticipated effects of possible cutbacks. The amounts of \$2.1 million to \$5.2 million in 1980-81 and \$5.4 million to \$15.2 million in 1981-82 were mentioned. These amounts refer only to Personal Service. Cutbacks in supplies, etc. are yet to come. The colleges have been asked to furnish this information, and it is anticipated that the effects of this further retrenchment would be devastating.

It was indicated that the cutbacks for the community colleges would take effect next year but those for the senior colleges might be effective this year.

A formal budget hearing will be held on Thursday, November 8, before State Budget Director Howard Miller and members of the State Legislature.

Upon motions duly made, seconded and carried, the meeting was adjourned at 5:33 P.M.

MARTIN J. WARMBRAND
Secretary of the Board