

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

**HELD**

**NOVEMBER 26, 1984**

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

The Chairperson called the meeting to order at 4:45 P.M.

There were present:

James P. Murphy, Chairperson  
Edith B. Everett, Vice Chairperson

Sylvia Bloom  
James A. Cavanagh  
Louis C. Cenci  
Armand D'Angelo

Judah Gribetz  
Joaquin Rivera  
Margaret Titone  
Brenda Farrow White

Henry Wasser, ex officio

Melvin E. Lowe, ex officio

Martin J. Warmbrand, Secretary of the Board  
David B. Rigney, General Counsel and Vice Chancellor for Legal Affairs

Chancellor Joseph S. Murphy  
Deputy Chancellor Houston G. Elam  
President Milton G. Bassin  
President Roscoe C. Brown, Jr.  
President Saul B. Cohen  
President Leon M. Goldstein  
President Bernard W. Harleston  
President Robert L. Hess  
President Leonard Lief  
President Gerald W. Lynch  
President Harold M. Proshansky  
President Kurt R. Schmeller  
President Ursula Schwerin

President Joel Segall  
President Donna E. Shalala  
President Joseph Shenker  
President Joshua L. Smith  
President Edmond L. Volpe  
Vice Chancellor Marguerite Ross Barnett  
Vice Chancellor Ira Bloom  
Vice Chancellor Leo A. Corbie  
Vice-Chancellor Donal E. Farley  
Vice Chancellor Ira H. Fuchs  
Acting Vice Chancellor Jay Hershenson  
Vice Chancellor Jerald Posman  
Etta G. Grass, Assistant Secretary of the Board

The absence of Mr. Baard, Dr. Bernstein, Mr. Jacobs and Dr. Polk was excused.

**A. PRESIDENT SAUL B. COHEN:** The Chairperson announced with regret that Pres. Saul B. Cohen will be leaving the University to assume the position of Director of the Joint Distribution Committee. He acknowledged the great work and service that Pres. Cohen has given to Queens College and the University and stated that at a suitable time the University will have an opportunity to show its appreciation and affection for Pres. Cohen. Within the next few days, the Chairperson will be appointing a search committee to find a new President for Queens College.

**B. BROOKLYN COLLEGE - COMMENDATION RE HUMANITIES:** The Chairperson called attention to the story in The New York Times with respect to the Report on the State of the Humanities by the Bennett Commission, convened by the National Endowment for the Humanities, which acknowledges and recognizes the leadership role which Brooklyn College has taken in the last few years with its core curriculum in the humanities. This is an example of the leadership role which the University always tries to play.

**C. PRESIDENTIAL HONORS:** (1) Graduate School and University Center: The Chairperson reported that Pres. Harold M. Proshansky has been elected to Fellowship in the New York Academy of Sciences. This distinction is conferred on a limited number of members of the Academy who have attained outstanding recognition for scientific achievements or for the promotion of science. On behalf of the Board he congratulated Pres. Proshansky on this singular honor.

(2) Brooklyn College: The Chairperson reported that Pres. Robert L. Hess will be on the program of the 71st annual meeting of the Association of American Colleges to be held in Washington, February 10-13, 1985. The theme of the conference is "Quality and Coherence in Undergraduate Education," and the session intended for college presidents is entitled "The Presidential Role in Academic Change." On behalf of the Board he congratulated Pres. Hess on this additional leadership role.

**D. BARUCH COLLEGE - RATING BY AMERICAN ASSEMBLY OF COLLEGIATE SCHOOLS OF BUSINESS:** The Chairperson reported that data from the 1983-84 School Fact Form survey of the American Assembly of Collegiate Schools of Business indicates that Baruch College ranked among the top ten business schools by enrollment in the fall of 1983, listed as second with respect to bachelor's degree programs, third with respect to master's degree programs, and seventh with respect to doctoral programs.

**E. JOHN JAY COLLEGE OF CRIMINAL JUSTICE - 1984 REGIONAL MEETING OF THE NEW YORK CORRECTION AND YOUTH SERVICES ASSOCIATION:** The Chairperson reported that the Coordinator of Criminal Justice of the Office of the Mayor has asked John Jay College and Pres. Gerald W. Lynch to provide important support and participation at the 1984 regional meeting of the New York Correction and Youth Services Association as part of its ongoing role as a beacon of serious dialogue among criminal justice professionals. The Department of Correction will host the meeting on Tuesday, December 11, 1984 and as a centerpiece for the meeting plans to sponsor a policy forum that will place policy makers in the criminal justice system before members of the Correction and Youth Services Association for a meaningful interchange. The forum's theme is "The True Role of Correction in the Criminal Justice System." Pres. Lynch and the College have been asked to work with the Department of Correction and the regional head of the State Correction and Youth Services Association and the City of New York in planning and executing this important event. The Chairperson applauded the President's and the College's role in this important undertaking.

**F. GRANTS:** The Chairperson reported that the following grants have been received by units of the University:

(1) CUNY and EDUCOM: BITNET, a higher-education computer network that connects more than 70 campuses, has received a grant of more than \$3 million in funds and equipment from the International Business Machines Corporation. The 30-month award was given to CUNY and EDUCOM, a high-technology consortium of more

than 500 colleges and universities. EDUCOM will receive a mainframe computer and \$1 million for its Information Center. The City University will receive \$1.2 million to develop software.

(2) GRADUATE SCHOOL AND UNIVERSITY CENTER: The Graduate School and University Center has received the following grants:

(a) \$875,262 from the New York State Education Department to Dr. Lee Cohen for the Program Implementation Center.

(b) \$371,678 from the U.S. Agency for International Development to Prof. Stephen Cohen for a project entitled "Cooperation for Development: A Community-Based Health Project."

(c) \$110,969 from the Office of Human Development Services to Prof. Kathleen Christensen for a project entitled "Impacts of Home-Based Work on Women and Their Families."

(d) \$97,678 from the U.S. Department of Education to Mr. Nicholas Anastasiow for a project entitled "Facilitative Environment Encouraging Development."

(e) \$75,000 from the U.S. Department of Education to Ms. Barbara Heller for the New York City Center for International Business Education.

(f) \$35,000 from the U.S. Department of Interior National Park Service to Prof. William Kornblum for "A Study of the Use of Recreational Vehicles on the Cape Cod National Seashore."

(3) BARUCH COLLEGE: Prof. John Andreassi of Baruch College has received an increase of \$79,683, bringing his total grant from the Air Force Office of Scientific Research to \$159,577, for the project entitled "Psychophysiological Effects of Light and Sound Stimulation: A Conceptual and Biocybernetics Approach."

(4) LEHMAN COLLEGE: Prof. Albert Bermel of Lehman College has received a grant of \$68,358 from the National Endowment for the Humanities for a project entitled "Theatrical Exploration of Sixteen International Places."

(5) YORK COLLEGE: York College has been awarded a Title III grant to develop Computer Assisted Instruction (CAI) applications in a wide range of academic areas. The grant totals \$322,131 for the 1984-85 academic year. This award enables York to establish two microcomputer laboratories and provides 17 faculty members with released time to develop and test computer-based instruction in various disciplines. Faculty will participate in a program of CAI research, development and evaluation, to integrate computers into instruction.

**G. AWARD TO CITY COLLEGE ALUMNUS:** The Chairperson reported that Prof. Gregory Dash, a City College alumnus, has been awarded the Davison-Germer Prize by the American Physical Society. The Prize was originally established by Bell Laboratories "to recognize and encourage outstanding work in atomic physics or surface physics."

Upon motions duly made, seconded and carried, the following resolutions were adopted or action was taken as noted: (Calendar Nos. 1 through 9)

**NO. 1. UNIVERSITY REPORT: RESOLVED**, That the University Report for November 26, 1984 (including Addendum Items) be approved, as revised as follows:

(a) PART D - ADDENDUM: Add the following items:

\*D.15. The Central Office - Computer System for Implementation of the Melani Settlement:

RESOLVED, That the Board of Trustees authorize the Central Office to award a contract to American Management Systems, Inc. for consulting services in devising settlement fund distribution, claim tracking, and reporting systems to comply with the provisions of the Consent Decree in Melani v. BHE at a cost not to exceed \$65,000.

EXPLANATION: The University requires the specialized knowledge and expertise of this contractor to develop computerized systems for the (1) distribution of the settlement fund in accordance with the Court approved formulas; (2) tracking of claims; and (3) preparation of reports. The system is necessary to process thousands of claims and payments and must be developed promptly to comply with Court deadlines.

\*D.16. Queensborough Community College - Reappointment with Tenure:

<u>Department &amp; Title</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Effective</u>	<u>Salary Rate</u>
Business			
Asst. Prof.	Brenda B. Hersh	9/1/85	\$27,044/A
Asst. Prof.	Daniel W. Tsang	9/1/85	25,805/A

\*D.17. Queensborough Community College - Award of Certificate of Continuous Employment:

<u>Department &amp; Title</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Effective</u>	<u>Salary Rate</u>
Business			
Lect.	Herbert F. Legatt	9/1/85	\$25,179/A
Mathematics			
Lect.	Sandra P. Peskin	9/1/85	25,179/A
Lect.	Dona Weintraub	9/1/85	25,179/A

\*D.18. Lehman College - Reappointment with Tenure:

<u>Department &amp; Title</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Effective</u>	<u>Salary Rate</u>
Nursing			
Asst. Prof.	Helen Lerner	9/1/85	\$34,918/A
Puerto Rican Studies			
Assoc. Prof.	Laird Bergad	9/1/85	29,451/A

\*D.19. Lehman College - Award of Certificate of Continuous Employment:

<u>Department &amp; Title</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Effective</u>	<u>Salary Rate</u>
Physical Education, Recreation, and Dance			
Lect. (Full-time)	Nicholas Testa	9/1/85	\$30,428/A

\*Approved by the Office of the Deputy Chancellor

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

EXPLANATION: The University Report consists of annual instructional appointments at a salary of \$20,000 and above and other resolutions of a non-policy nature which require approval by the Board of Trustees.

In reply to a question from Mr. Rivera with respect to the contract between Hostos Community College and Mobicentrics to provide skills training, Deputy Chancellor Elam stated that this was the result of special legislation which required Hostos to coordinate with a vendor to provide the educational service. On review it was determined that Mobicentrics was the best group to provide this service.

**NO. 2. CHANCELLOR'S REPORT:** RESOLVED, That the Chancellor's Report for November 26, 1984 (including Addendum Items) be approved as revised as follows:

(a) Item CIII 8.1 Grants (York College): Change the source of the \$100,000 MAC Adult Literacy Program grant to indicate that it is the City of New York and not the New York State Education Department.

(b) Item BI 10.3. Appointment (Annual Salary of Less than \$20,000)(Baruch College): Delete entry for Richard McQuillen.

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

EXPLANATION: The Chancellor's Report consists of standard resolutions and actions of a non-policy nature which require approval by the Board of Trustees.

**NO. 3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES:** RESOLVED, That the minutes of the Board meeting of October 22, 1984 be approved.

At this point Mr. Lowe joined the meeting.

**NO. 3A. DR. HAROLD M. JACOBS:** The Chairperson read into the record a letter from Dr. Harold M. Jacobs thanking his fellow Trustees, the Chancellor, the College Presidents, faculty members, staff, and students "who were so kind to me. I know that my recovery was speeded by the warmth and sincerity of your prayers for me. I look forward to rejoining my dear friends and colleagues in the near future. Please have a joyful and happy Christmas and New Year. I pray that in the coming year all of us will enjoy continued good health. Sincerely, Harold M. Jacobs"

**NO 4. COMMITTEE ON FISCAL AFFAIRS, FACILITIES AND CONTRACT REVIEW:** RESOLVED, That the following items be approved:

**A. LAGUARDIA COMMUNITY COLLEGE - RENOVATION AND ALTERATION OF AN ACQUIRED BUILDING:**

RESOLVED, That the Board of Trustees of The City University of New York approve a service contract with the firm of Warner, Burns, Toan and Lunde, Architects in association with J.C. Harris Associates, Architects for architectural and engineering services for the design and supervision of construction related to the renovation and alteration of a building to be acquired adjacent to the present main campus building; and be it further

RESOLVED, That the City University Construction Fund be requested to authorize the Dormitory Authority of the State of New York to enter into a contract with this firm for the indicated services.

**EXPLANATION:** The State Capital Construction Budget includes an authorization for the Dormitory Authority to finance the planning of the renovation and alteration of a newly acquired facility of the LaGuardia Community College.

The altered facility will include 218,500 net assignable square feet of space, and will provide classrooms, tutorial areas, student activity spaces and offices in a building which will be upgraded structurally, mechanically and aesthetically, at an estimated construction cost of \$35,000,000.

The architectural firm now proposed to develop the plans and specifications for the alteration work was selected in accordance with procedures established by The City University and has been approved by the President of LaGuardia Community College.

#### **B. QUEENS COLLEGE - BENJAMIN S. ROSENTHAL LIBRARY:**

**RESOLVED,** That the Board of Trustees of The City University of New York accept the contract documents and cost estimate of \$35,300,000 as prepared by the firm of The Gruzen Partnership, for the construction of the new Benjamin S. Rosenthal Library at Queens College, Project No. QC209-803; and be it further

**RESOLVED,** That The City University Construction Fund be requested to authorize the Dormitory Authority of the State of New York to advertise, bid and award contracts for the construction of the aforesaid new library.

**EXPLANATION:** The 1983-84 State Budget included a funding authorization to construct a new Library for Queens College.

The new Library will provide approximately 157,000 net assignable square feet of space and will accommodate a collection of 850,000 bound volumes together with periodicals, microfilm, recordings, etc. In addition a minimum of 2,100 students and faculty reader stations are to be provided along with administrative and technical service areas, facilities for the Art Department Library and the Graduate School of Library and Information Studies. An Archive Center for study and exhibition of the Benjamin S. Rosenthal papers and other important archival material is included.

The plans have been reviewed and accepted by the College, the Office of Facilities Planning and Management, and the Dormitory Authority of the State of New York.

The Dormitory Authority has completed a bond sale for funding of this project. The final construction cost estimate escalated to bid date of January, 1985, is \$35,300,000.

It is recommended that the final contract documents be accepted and authorization to invite bids and award contracts for the construction of this new facility be given.

#### **C. NEW YORK CITY TECHNICAL COLLEGE - ALTERATIONS TO VARIOUS BUILDINGS:**

**RESOLVED,** That the Board of Trustees of The City University of New York accept the contract documents and cost estimate of \$31,806,000 as prepared by the firm of Edward Durell Stone Associates, P.C. for an addition and alterations to various buildings on the Brooklyn Campus of New York City Technical College, Project No. NY204-083; and be it further

**RESOLVED,** That the City University Construction Fund be requested to authorize the Dormitory Authority of the State of New York to advertise, bid and award contracts for the construction of the aforesaid addition/alteration project.

**EXPLANATION:** The 1984-85 State Budget included a funding authorization for new and renovated facilities at the Brooklyn Campus of New York City Technical College. It is the College's intention to consolidate its Technology Programs, now housed at its Voorhees Campus in Manhattan, into the North Building Area Complex, improve existing space and construct a new 100,000 gross square foot facility in the Namm/Pearl Building Complex to accommodate general classrooms, a new library and offices displaced as a result of expansions in other areas.

The plans have been reviewed and accepted by the College, the Office of Facilities Planning and Management and the Dormitory Authority of the State of New York.

The Dormitory Authority has completed a bond sale for funding of this project. The architect's final construction cost estimate, escalated to bid date, is \$31,806,000.

It is recommended that the final contract documents be accepted and authorization to invite bids and award contracts for the construction of this facility be granted.

#### **D. THE CITY COLLEGE - STEINMAN HALL, MECHANICAL REPAIRS:**

RESOLVED, That the Board of Trustees of The City University of New York approve the contract documents, specifications and expenditure, and authorize The City College to advertise for, receive and open bids and award contract to the lowest responsible bidder to supply all the necessary labor, tools, equipment and material required to Repair the Fan Plenum Chamber in the Roof Fan Room of Steinman Hall, at an estimated cost of \$150,000, chargeable to the Special Senior College Repair Code, subject to financial ability.

EXPLANATION: Existing plenum has bulged, broken loose from internal partitions and floor curb. To alleviate a hazardous situation, it is imperative that repair be made immediately.

#### **E. THE CITY COLLEGE - COMPUTER SYSTEMS:**

RESOLVED, That the Board of Trustees of The City University of New York authorize The City College to purchase a CAD/CAM 4381 Computer System against CUNY contract No. N127990, and competitive bidding for such items not covered under contract for the total amount of \$732,219, \$349,176.38 chargeable to 1984-1985 budget as follows:

105-01-300	\$245,000.00
234-01-300	35,000.00
212-01-300	69,176.38

\$214,202.76 to be paid in 12 equal installments, with a final payment of \$168,840, chargeable to 1985-86 budget, subject to financial ability.

EXPLANATION: The School of Engineering is in the process of computerizing its engineering curricula. For class instruction alone, there is a need for at least 200 terminals hard-wired to the on-campus 4341. Since 4341 is supposed to support data processing and instructional functions at CCNY, our present 300 plus terminals are already reaching the upper limit of accommodation. With introduction of CAD/CAM in the curricula, there will be a favorable impact on our impending accreditation in 1986. The CAD/CAM system requires a local mainframe to accommodate the graphics for all engineering design courses.

Support for this proposal was requested of the Vice Chancellor for University Systems, the proposal received his approval. President Bernard W. Harleston is in total support of the requirements indicated.

#### **F. KINGSBOROUGH COMMUNITY COLLEGE - STREET AND SIDEWALK REPLACEMENT:**

RESOLVED, That the Resolution approved by the Board of Trustees of The City University of New York at its meeting of April 30, 1984, Cal. No. 4T for street and sidewalk replacement at Kingsborough Community College - N.E. Quadrant at an estimated cost of \$132,000 chargeable to Capital Code HN-206, City Budget Blanket CP 15155 Project KG766-083 be amended to the increased amount of \$155,000.

EXPLANATION: This Resolution is required in order to permit award to the lowest responsible bidder in the amount of \$147,900 plus contingencies.

**G. HUNTER COLLEGE - ELEVATOR MAINTENANCE AND REPAIRS, INCLUDING STANDBY COVERAGE:**

RESOLVED, That the Board of Trustees of The City University of New York hereby amends Cal. No. 2, CI 3.1. of June 25, 1984 and Cal. No. 2, CI 3.16 of June 25, 1984, and combines them into a single resolution to read as follows in its entirety:-

RESOLVED, That the Board of Trustees of The City University of New York in the interests of efficiency, standardization and economy approve the contract documents and authorize Hunter College to award a contract without public bidding to Otis Elevator Company for the maintenance of the elevators in the new East and West Buildings of Hunter College, including standby services on the College premises, for a period of four years, seven months and fifteen days, beginning November 15, 1984 and ending June 30, 1989 at an estimated cost during the fiscal year of \$113,867.70 (\$15,182.36 per month) subject to adjustments for wage and material cost increases in the following fiscal years.

EXPLANATION: These eighteen elevators were built and installed by the Otis Elevator Company for the State Dormitory Authority and maintained by Otis under warranty which expires November 14, 1984. At that time the University must assume responsibility for the maintenance of the elevators. Only the manufacturer is able to provide the expertise, quality and speed of service to keep the elevators in a continuously operating condition. Estimates on previous resolutions were based on incomplete data supplied by the Dormitory Authority.

**H. HUNTER COLLEGE - BROOKDALE HEALTH SCIENCES CENTER REPAIRS:**

RESOLVED, That the Board of Trustees of The City University of New York approve the contract documents and specifications and authorize Hunter College to advertise for, receive and open bids and award a contract to the lowest responsible bidder to repair the steam reducing stations and install meters in the Hunter College Brookdale Health Sciences Center, 440 East 26th Street, New York, at an estimated cost of \$125,000 chargeable to the Lump Sum Repair expense code 217401383 or any other such funds subject to financial ability, fiscal year 1984-85.

EXPLANATION: All pressure reducing stations are leaking thereby wasting energy.

At the present time, Consolidated Edison steam is distributed to the building without the benefit of distribution meters. There is no way of an equitable distribution of costs. The present system of billing is not based on actual use or even close to a realistic estimate. The new steam meters will accurately measure the actual use of steam in pounds per hour and reduce our steam costs substantially.

**I. BOROUGH OF MANHATTAN COMMUNITY COLLEGE - AMENDMENT OF LEASE PURCHASE OF VIDEOTAPE EQUIPMENT:**

RESOLVED, That the Board of Trustees of The City University of New York amend Resolution No. CI 15.6, May 29, 1984, Cal. No. 1 for the lease/purchase of six videotape editing systems by increasing the initial lease period from 6 months to 8 months and by increasing the estimated cost from \$65,000 to \$131,000.

EXPLANATION: Resolution No. CI 15.6 adopted by the Board at its May 29, 1984 meeting authorized the College to acquire videotape equipment to be used to provide training in videotape editing for members of Locals No. 644, 771, 52, and 841 of the International Alliance of Theatrical State Employees and Moving Picture Machine Operators (AFL-CIO) pursuant to the University's Training Program for Dislocated and Structurally Unemployed Workers.

The lowest bid received on the 6 month lease was \$99,000. If the College were to choose to exercise the six month renewal option at an additional cost of \$99,000, it could purchase the equipment at the end of the renewal period for \$9,500. The total cost to acquire the equipment would be \$207,500.

The College negotiated with the vendor and has come to an agreement to lease the equipment for 8 months at a cost of \$121,500 with an option to purchase the equipment at the end of this period for \$9,500. The total cost to acquire the equipment would, therefore, be \$131,000, a substantial savings over the prior arrangement. In addition, if the purchase option is exercised, the College will take title to the equipment 4 months sooner than under the original arrangement.

**ADDED ITEM****J. UNIVERSITY COMPUTER CENTER OFFICE SPACE:**

RESOLVED, That the Board authorize the Secretary to execute an agreement with Kaufman Newmark Realty Corporation, the landlord of 555 West 57 Street, New York, N.Y., pursuant to which landlord will alter the space on the 16th floor of said premises to accommodate the University Computer Center's new computer equipment at an estimated cost of \$430,000 payable out of rental code 70-248454-1A-84-55409-334401-719 for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1984 to the extent of \$303,000, and the balance from rental code 70-248454-1A-94-55409-234401-719 for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1985, subject to the approval of the Office of General Counsel.

EXPLANATION: The University Computer Center has approximately \$850,000 worth of new computer equipment awaiting installation. This equipment will allow the University Computer Center to improve services and response time and to significantly increase current disk storage. In order for space to be made available for the installation of this equipment it will be necessary to perform alteration work in the Computer Center facility, and in the contiguous University Accounting Office facility.

An agreement has been reached with the landlord of the subject premises to provide the necessary work on a cost pass-through basis. The agreement includes the following:

1. The landlord, as per approved plans and specifications, will furnish all labor, equipment and materials necessary to complete all mechanical, electrical and architectural work associated with the installation of the computer equipment.
2. The landlord, as per approved plans and specifications, will also perform alteration work in the adjacent University Accounting office space. This is necessary because the expansion of the Computer Center will require a take-over of some space currently used by the Accounting Office. As a result, the remaining space to be used by the Accounting Office must be altered to accommodate the displaced personnel.

The landlord will perform electrical and architectural work including removal of existing partitions and installation of new partitions in the Accounting Office facility.

3. Landlord will not charge tenant for use of freight elevators in connection with this work.

**NO. 4A. TEACHERS' SALARIES:** With respect to the recommendations to the Governor's Advisory Committee, Mr. D'Angelo called attention to the omission of an important item. He stated that teachers' salaries are disgraceful throughout the City, the State, and, generally speaking, throughout the country. Competent teachers cannot be attracted to teach the children unless teachers' salaries are upgraded. An effort must be made to convince people in the education field that salaries for teachers must be increased.

Chancellor Murphy stated that the issue of teachers' salaries was raised by almost everyone represented at the Governor's Advisory Committee. The proposal for higher salaries for teachers was supported when it came forward. A special effort will be made to take a firmer position on that in a more explicit way than has been done in the past.

**NO. 5. COMMITTEE ON ACADEMIC POLICY, PROGRAM, AND RESEARCH:** RESOLVED, That the following items be approved:

**A. NEW YORK CITY TECHNICAL COLLEGE - A.A.S. IN URBAN HORTICULTURE:**

RESOLVED, That the program in Urban Horticulture leading to the A.A.S. degree to be offered at New York City Technical College be approved, effective September, 1985, subject to financial ability.

**EXPLANATION:** This program is intended to provide an opportunity for students to prepare for careers in the floristry industry of New York City and vicinity. Employment opportunities exist in such areas as interior plantscaping, florist shops, and garden centers. The proposed program will ensure preparation in the liberal arts as well as solid training in the technical areas of horticulture. It was designed in collaboration with the Brooklyn Botanic Garden, which will make its grounds, greenhouse complex and other facilities available to support the program and will provide staff to teach specialized courses.

Prof. Wasser pointed out that several members of the Committee had raised questions about the liberal arts component in both degrees, more particularly with respect to the degree at New York City Technical College. There is the barest minimum liberal arts component in these programs with one or two courses questionable as to whether they can be considered liberal arts. All the Committee members voted for both programs but placed a caution in the Committee minutes with respect to the first program, indicating that the liberal arts component would be looked at very carefully in future. Prof. Wasser stated that technical programs should have more than a minimum liberal arts component.

Pres. Schwerin stated that the program meets the guidelines of the State Education Department and it contains a couple of additional courses which are considered chemistry courses and are part of the science component.

#### **B. LAGUARDIA COMMUNITY COLLEGE - A.A.S. IN COMPUTER TECHNICIAN:**

**RESOLVED,** That the program in Computer Technician leading to the A.A.S. degree to be offered at LaGuardia Community College be approved, effective September 1985, subject to financial ability.

**EXPLANATION:** LaGuardia Community College currently offers programs leading to the A.A.S. degree in Programming and Systems and in Machine Operations and the A.S. degree in Computer Science. The proposed program in Computer Technician leading to the A.A.S. degree would complement these programs and effectively strengthen the computer-related offerings of the College. The Computer Technician program is designed to prepare students for entry level positions as technicians engaged in the installation, maintenance, and repair of microcomputers and telecommunications equipment. The 67 credit program includes 30 credits of specialized technical courses and 22 credits of liberal arts courses. All students will participate in the College's mandatory Cooperative Education Program and will complete three 3-month internships in the computer industry.

#### **NO. 6. COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC AFFAIRS: RESOLVED,** That the following items be approved:

##### **A. BERNARD MINTZ - MEMORIAL RESOLUTION:**

WHEREAS, Bernard Mintz served The City University of New York with dedication and distinction as Vice Chancellor for Administration, Vice Chancellor for Staff Relations, Vice Chancellor for Business Affairs and Dean of Business Affairs; and

WHEREAS, He left the Central Administration in March 1972, to become Executive Vice President and Professor of Management at The Bernard M. Baruch College where he later served as Acting President; and

WHEREAS, He led the University with characteristic skill, patience and good humor through its first collective bargaining negotiations with faculty to conclude contracts of historic importance in higher education; and

WHEREAS, He brought to these tasks broad knowledge of the operation of our colleges and the government agencies that vitally influence the development of the University; and

WHEREAS, During the 1983-84 academic year, he continued to assist the University serving as Consultant to the Search Committee for a Vice Chancellor for Faculty and Staff Relations; therefore be it

**RESOLVED,** That the Board of Trustees of The City University of New York notes with profound sorrow the passing of Bernard Mintz on November 1, 1984 and extends its deepest sympathy to his family and friends.

**B. BOROUGH HEARINGS:**

WHEREAS, The Board of Trustees of The City University of New York has affirmed its commitment to seeking community viewpoints on issues and matters relating to the University and its constituent colleges; therefore

BE IT RESOLVED, That the annual public hearings sponsored by the Board in each borough, and held pursuant to Section 6204(3)(e) of the Education Law, shall be conducted with particular attention given to the expression of community concerns and interests.

EXPLANATION: The Board of Trustees has for the past five years annually held public hearings in each of the City's boroughs. The Committee on Public Affairs, continuing the tradition of extensive community outreach established by the Committee on Public Policy and External Relations, recommends that as a matter of Board policy, community participation in the hearings be given priority consideration.

Mrs. Bloom stated that the Committee had reviewed the format of the borough hearings and had concluded that an effort must be made to solicit community views and concerns on college and University matters. She reminded the Board that the Brooklyn borough hearing will be held on Thursday, November 29, from 5 to 7 p.m. in the Great Hall at the Headquarters of the Board of Education, 110 Livingston Street, and urged all Board Members to attend.

Mrs. Everett stated that the borough hearings were devised in order to have some exchange between the Board and members of the community in each of the boroughs. There are serious matters to be called to the attention of the Board, which is why the Board is reaching out. She urged all to encourage the community to share its concerns with the Board.

**NO. 7. COMMITTEE ON FACULTY, STAFF, AND ADMINISTRATION:** RESOLVED, That the following items be approved:

**A. DESIGNATION OF FINAL DAY OF FALL 1985 SEMESTER RE EARLY RETIREMENT LAW:**

WHEREAS, The Legislature and Governor of the State of New York adopted Chapter 665 of the Laws of 1984 establishing an Early Retirement Incentive Program applicable to all eligible employees of the State-funded units of The City University of New York, and

WHEREAS, The provisions of Chapter 665 require retirement on the day following the close of the academic semester which ends between January 1, 1986 and January 31, 1986 inclusive; and

WHEREAS, In order to provide a retirement date in conformance with Chapter 665 and to provide a uniform date of retirement of February 1, 1986 for all eligible employees who elect to retire pursuant to chapter 665; therefore be it

RESOLVED, That for the purposes of Chapter 665, January 31, 1986 be deemed the final day of the Fall 1985 academic semester in all State-funded units of The City University of New York; and be it further

RESOLVED, That January 31, 1986 be incorporated as the official close of the Fall 1985 academic semester in the academic calendars of each State-funded unit of the University, notwithstanding any other item that may be included in the calendar.

**B. DESIGNATION OF DR. MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR. DAY AS OFFICIAL UNIVERSITY HOLIDAY:**

RESOLVED, That the Board of Trustees of The City University of New York designate January 21, 1985, known as Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Day, as an official university holiday. This resolution shall be effective January 1, 1985. The resolution of the Board of Higher Education, No. C12 HUMAN RIGHTS DAY, adopted on December 22, 1969 and designating the fifteenth of January as Human Rights Day, is hereby rescinded.

EXPLANATION: The Legislature and the Governor of the State of New York, by adopting Chapter 347 of the Laws of 1984, have designated the third Monday of January as a public holiday, commencing January 21, 1985. This resolution harmonizes the University holiday observance with that of the State of New York.

**C. DISTINGUISHED PROFESSOR: RESOLVED,** That Robert J. Lifton be designated Distinguished Professor of Psychology at John Jay College of Criminal Justice for the period 2/1/85-8/31/85, with compensation at the rate of \$10,000 per annum in addition to his regular academic salary, subject to financial ability. It is expected that Prof. Lifton will also join the faculty of the Department of Psychiatry at Mount Sinai School of Medicine.

Mr. Rivera acknowledged the statements from Pres. Donna Shalala regarding the Board of Education of the City of New York. People in higher education who are in a position to see what is going on should speak out when they feel that something should be done to improve the education of the children.

**D. AFFIRMATIVE ACTION REPORT:**

Vice Chancellor Bloom summarized the Affirmative Action Report presented to the Committee at its last meeting. All the Board Members have received the Report which describes the methodology and procedures followed by the University's Affirmative Action Program in setting up its utilization analysis. It was discussed in detail at the meeting. Also included were memoranda to several colleges which point out specific areas of concern regarding the implementation of the program in each of the colleges. These memoranda will be followed up when the recruitment and hiring data for the current academic semester is available. Mr. Rivera had asked for aggregate University-wide numerical data in addition to percentage data, and this will be presented to the Committee at its next meeting. The same data will be presented excluding in the count Medgar Evers and Hostos Community College. By national standards CUNY is doing very well in the recruitment and retention of faculty and staff for females and members of federally defined protected groups. But New York City, which is unique, has a greater than average percentage of minorities in its population and among the students of its colleges and has to do more than other parts of the country. A number of areas need to be improved, and an active effort will be made during the current year to focus on these matters.

**NO. 8. HONORARY DEGREES: RESOLVED,** That the following honorary degrees, approved by the appropriate faculty body and recommended by the Chancellor, be presented by Hunter College at the Spring, 1985, Convocation celebrating the tenth anniversary of the Brookdale Center on Aging at Hunter College:

NAME	DEGREE
James R. Dumpson	Doctor of Humane Letters
Ethel Shanas	Doctor of Humane Letters
Peggy Tishman	Doctor of Humane Letters

At this point Mr. Gribetz joined the meeting

Mrs. Everett requested that the guidelines for the award of honorary degrees be reviewed. The matter was referred to the Committee on Faculty, Staff, and Administration for consideration in consultation with the chancellery and the presidential corps. It was suggested that this be done expeditiously prior to the consideration of candidates for honorary degrees to be awarded at the spring commencements.

**NO. 9. TUITION OF FOREIGN STUDENTS:** Mr. Lowe raised the question of tuition of foreign students and asked that a student be allowed to speak. While expressing the interest and deep concern of the Board, the Chairperson denied the request, suggesting that Mr. Lowe speak himself. The issue was aired last spring and, according to Board procedures, at the public hearing the previous week. The Chairperson did not want to set the precedent of allowing the Board meeting to be used as a forum for the expression of a variety of concerns by various segments of the University community. The Chairperson allowed the distribution of various materials on the subject. The Chairperson suggested that after the conclusion of the meeting, a representative group of students meet with the Deputy Chancellor, Vice-Chancellor Corbie, and Acting Vice-Chancellor Hershenson to discuss community outreach and other tactics and approaches.

Mr. D'Angelo stated that the discussion should not be confined to one group but should be discussed with all the facts and figures available.

The Chairperson replied that the matter would not be debated at this meeting but that it was his understanding that Mr. Lowe wished to present a resolution, which would then be referred to the appropriate Committees.

Mr. Lowe presented two resolutions, one from the foreign students, and the other from the University Student Senate. He presented the following resolution from the foreign students, which is strongly supported by the University Student Senate:

*"We, the Board of Trustees of The City University of New York, oppose all future tuition increases for all students, whatever their status, in the academic year 1985-86. We will refuse to accept any increase proposed by the Legislature in Albany. The City University of New York was created to provide free education to all students coming to New York. We pledge ourselves to continue that tradition."*

Mr. Lowe then read the following resolution proposed by the University Student Senate:

*"WHEREAS, The plight of foreign students at The City University of New York has been brought to the forefront of University concerns;*

*"WHEREAS, Annual tuition increases, excessive and discriminatory in nature, have created educational barriers to access for foreign students;*

*"WHEREAS, Officials outside the University have proposed such increases, and therefore require remedial assistance to learn about the true value of foreign students to the University;*

*"WHEREAS, Foreign students contribute enormously to the educational well-being of our colleges through their determination, dedication, intelligence, and cultural heritage;*

*"WHEREAS, The education of foreign students helps realize the ideals of our great nation--opportunity for all who seek to achieve the pursuit of life, liberty, and happiness;*

*"BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED, That it shall be the expressed policy of the Board of Trustees to seek the elimination of prior tuition increases for foreign students and that any proposed increases shall be resisted;*

*"BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Board shall develop and adopt a policy statement which provides for the enhancement of foreign student services and foreign student representation at all levels of college and university decision-making."*

The Chairperson referred this resolution to the Committee on Public Affairs and the Committee on Student Affairs and Special Programs for consideration and action.

Pres. Shalala stated that there is a consensus on the issue of keeping tuition down. The foreign student issue is complicated since many of the people in Albany have no understanding of the impact that out-of-State tuition has on a whole generation of foreign students, many of whom will return to be leaders in their country or who are political refugees in this country. In view of the surplus in Albany, there is no justification for any kind of tuition increase. She complimented the students on their constant vigilance and understanding that it is never too early to work on the matter of tuition.

Chancellor Murphy stated that it is one of the ironies of life that in any university, where so many, both in positions of responsibility or students, are in fact foreigners or very recently foreigners, that the tuition policy developed in the State of New York should hit so unjustly and unnecessarily on the one group of people for whom the University must by intuition and close affinity have shared interest. Last May when the students made a presentation to the Board, the Chancellor indicated that he thought the Bureau of the Budget and the Legislature had made an error. It was clear that they were thinking almost exclusively in terms of the unequal reciprocity between residents of the State of New York and other states in the Union, and that in fact since tuition had been increased for New York State students in other states, the Legislature feels that it was necessary for them to do as well. At the time it was pointed out to the Division of the Budget and the leadership in the Legislature that another group of victims was being created unintentionally. Despite the efforts of the University to educate them, they still do not understand that the University has a very serious problem with respect to a whole group of students important to it, who are adversely affected by those tuition policies. The University will continue to exert this effort even more forcefully. The Chancellor pledged, on behalf of the Administration of the University, to continue to fight this battle. The vast number of foreign students attending the University will remain in the City and enrich it and even those who temporarily return to their countries, will eventually return to New York.

Mr. D'Angelo called the attention of the Board to the fact that the Committee on Fiscal Affairs, Facilities and Contract Review has taken a position calling for long-range planning which would avoid future tuition increases and pointed out that the cost of the education of students at the University is not limited to tuition and many students cannot afford to attend for that reason.

The Chairperson stated that the foreign student issue was one facet of the problem and suggested that efforts be continued on the total problem.

Mr. Lowe presented a sample letter to be sent by the Trustees to Governor Cuomo, stating that he was seeking a commitment from the Trustees on this issue. The Chairperson replied that the commitment was implicit in the budget request and in the testimony given by the Chancellor in Albany.

Mrs. Everett stated her belief that Mr. Lowe was seeking a preemptive strike, that Trustees through their individual constituencies would bring pressure to bear in Albany on this issue.

**Upon motions duly made, seconded and carried, the meeting was adjourned at 5:45 P.M.**

**MARTIN J. WARMBRAND**  
Secretary of the Board