Conflict Erupts in SFS
Task Force Recommendations Causing Debate

by NANCY BOWKER, MICHAEL FISHEBEIN, and RALPH SINGER

Informed sources within the Department of Student Personnel Services last week indicated that a controversy has erupted because of possible misinterpretations of recommendations made last Spring by the Presidential Task Force on Student Personnel Services. The Task Force, created by President Clyde Wingfield, was chaired by Executive Vice President Bernard Mintz.

The Task Force had recommended that the Student Activities Division, under the supervision of Dean Roy R. Senour, Jr., be redefined as two divisions: Student Activities and Group Work-Special Projects. The Student Activities staff was to concentrate on the advisement of student organizations including student government. The Group Work-Special Projects staff was to concentrate on the advisement of student organizations such as the 212 Project and Work-Special Projects.

The Task Force, which had been in existence since the Spring 1972 semester, was to be relocated in the basement at 360 Park Avenue South. The purpose of this move, it was explained, is to encourage greater numbers of freshmen and sophomores to participate in 212 programming.

It has become evident to the staff of TICKER over the past week that the facts concerning the proposed relocation are in serious dispute. None of the senior administrators, in the Office of the Dean of Students, appears to agree with another. One fact is known: No attempt had been made to involve students in the decision-making process. The fact that this situation is of utmost importance to a large number of students in the Baruch College community. No efforts were made to inform either the radio station, WBMB, or any of the three student newspapers of the SPS plan.

These dramatic revelations became clear only last Monday when the appearance of many students involved in the organization and staffing of the 212 Project since the Student Center opened on September 3rd.

The 212 Project, organized in 1971, maintains a staff of volunteer students who say that the purpose of the organization is dedicated to bringing to the average student that "special feeling that is born and grows when learning or teaching a new skill." These skills fall in a dozen different areas ranging from learning to play a new instrument, to dancing, to the nature of the syllabi, texts and test questions.

In commenting on the report, CUNY Chancellor Robert J. Kibbee said, "To the extent grades are an indication of academic standards, there has been no decline in City University collegiate standards attributable to open admissions." Open admissions has long been criticized by those inside and outside CUNY as an invitation to educational disaster and the total devaluing of the CUNY degree.

Some extreme contrasts found in the BHE document indicated that:

- It was three times easier to fail foreign languages at John Jay as at Hunter College; easier to attain superior grades at Queens as at Brooklyn College.
- It was five and one-half times easier to fail social sciences at John Jay as at Brooklyn College; slightly easier to obtain superior grades at Queens as at John Jay College.
- It was three times easier to fail humanities at John Jay as at Brooklyn College; one and one-half times easier to attain superior grades at Queens as at John Jay College.

In explanation, Chancellor Kibbee stated that several of the rated units had been fully independent colleges prior to the expansion of the university. Chancellor Kibbee added that neither his office nor the BHE had ever attempted to impose uniform grading practices among the various colleges of the university.

To determine the status of Baruch College in the distribution of grades, the average of all grades at Baruch College, according to the BHE document, was 76%. The BHE document notes that the editorial staff of TICKER has discovered several facts pertinent to the academic standing of the college within CUNY.

In relation to the six other senior colleges subjected to scrutiny by the BHE (Brooklyn, City, Hunter, John Jay, Queens and York) Baruch College:

- Ranked second in failures for foreign languages, science and mathematics; third in the humanities, and fourth in foreign languages.
- Ranked fourth in the attainment of superior grades in foreign languages; fifth in humanities; and sixth in science, social science and mathematics.

Although interdepartmental comparisons are treacherous due to the nature of the syllabi, texts

Charter Timetable Set Deadline is January 31st

Vice President for Academic Affairs William R. Monat last month released a detailed memorandum outlining the proposed timetable for the implementation of the Charter of Governance—Baruch College approved by the Board of Higher Education on June 17th of this year.

In the memorandum Vice President Monat indicated that President Clyde J. Wingfield expects the implementation of the charter completed by January 31, 1975. This date is approximately five and one half weeks beyond the December 17th deadline imposed by the BHE action earlier.

The timetable, covering the six significant areas of the Charter approved itself peremptorily by the Board with law and the establishment of new academic and administrative organs. Some of the highlights are:

- Revision of the Faculty Senate by-laws by October 15th.
- Resolution determining the composition of the Academic Review Committee approved by October 15th.
- Revision of the General Faculty by-laws by October 15th.
- Election of the Executive Committees of the faculties of the several Schools by January 31, 1975.
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In several of these areas work is already in progress. Prof. Walter

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Conflict On Group Work

The University Student House has released a notice expressing its opposition to the proposal of the City University Board of Trustees to charge tuition for all students, including those enrolled in the City College. The Student House argues that tuition would disproportionately affect low-income students and argues for the continuation of free education at City College.

Staff of the student newspaper, Ticker, have called for a united front against the proposal, stating that the current free tuition system is essential to the College's mission and that it should be preserved.

Several other campus-wide organizations have expressed their support for the student House's position, with the provost and faculty council issuing statements in opposition to the proposal. A full-page ad in the New York Times earlier this month is part of a campaign to raise awareness about the petition.

The Student House proposes an alternative plan to fund the college. They call for the creation of a student-run endowment fund, which would rely on donations from alumni and other sources to cover the cost of tuition.

A hearing on the proposal is scheduled for October 25. The Student House has called for widespread attendance by students and faculty to protest the proposal.

1st Meeting Of This Year's Musical Comedy Workshop

Anyone interested in theatre and music is invited to attend the first meeting of this year's Musical Comedy Workshop on Thursday, September 24th, from 7:00 PM to 9:00 PM at the Student Center. The workshop will be led by experienced theatre professionals and will focus on developing new musical theatre pieces. Refreshments will be provided.

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Unhappily, Ticker has been forced to raise its advertising rates. Interested members and organizations of Baruch College are urged to obtain the new rates at the Ticker office, Room 307 in the Student Center.
For Your Own Good

By BERTHA NEWHOUSE, Dean

The recent decision of the Student Senate to ban tobacco from the campus will come as a shock to many students. Of these, some are young, not old enough to smoke; some are old enough but not ready; and others are old enough and ready, but not ready enough to break the habit.

Those involved in the decision say it was prompted by concern for the welfare of the student body and the concern for the welfare of those who are not old enough to smoke. They fear that the campus will become barren of such advantage.

The plan for the new year is to ban tobacco from all areas of the campus. This includes the student center, dormitories, and outdoor areas.

The plan is supported by a majority of the student body, according to the Student Senate. They believe it will provide a healthier environment for everyone.

The University administration is split on the issue. Some are in favor of the ban, while others believe it is unnecessary and will limit student freedom.

The decision has sparked controversy among some students, who believe it is a violation of their rights. They argue that they should be able to choose what they do with their time and their bodies.

The student body is being asked to vote on the issue at the next meeting of the Student Senate. The decision is expected to be implemented at the beginning of the new year.

XANADU

By BRAD FERGUSON

A new season of Xanadu is now underway. People continue to wonder how much it will cost, with estimates ranging from $50,000 to one million. It has been called the "Best Musical of the Year," and its success is due to its combination of dance and music. It is said to be a must-see for all Broadway lovers.

The show features a cast of well-known performers, including the famous dance troupe, the "BROADWAY BOYS." The music is provided by a live orchestra, and the set design is said to be the most impressive of any show on Broadway.

The show is being held at the Shubert Theatre, and tickets are selling fast. Many people have already bought tickets for multiple performances. It is expected to run for several months, and will be an important part of the Broadway season.

The show is also generating a lot of controversy. Some people argue that it is too commercial and lacks artistic merit. Others believe it is a valuable contribution to the world of music and dance.

The show is being produced by a wealthy businessman, who is also funding other Broadway productions. It is expected to be a major success for both the producer and the audience.

The show features a large cast, including well-known actors and dancers. The music is described as "catchy" and the dance numbers are said to be "memorable." The show is expected to be a hit among Broadway aficionados and newcomers alike.

Handbook Errata

Notice page 2 of the newly printed handbook in the Admission and Records Office. It is a typographical error and has been corrected.

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CUNY Enrollment Up

The City University of New York recently reported a 1.3% increase in enrollment for the 1974-75 academic year. According to the report, the total enrollment for the city's largest university system was 228,450.

This increase also includes the Brooklyn Community College, with an enrollment of just over 74,000. The enrollment at the City University of New York is the largest in the nation.

University officials attribute the increase to a number of factors, including a growing student population and increased funding for higher education. They also point to the University's efforts to attract more students through its diverse curriculum and low tuition rates.

The University has made strides in expanding its programs and facilities in recent years. The new Baruch College campus is expected to open in the fall of 1975, and will provide additional space for students and faculty.

The City University of New York is the largest public university system in the United States. It serves over 200,000 students at 14 campuses across the five boroughs of New York City.

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Charter Racing Deadline
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Nahin (Music), Secretary of the General Faculty, is drafting the necessary revisions of that body's by-laws. It has also been reported that the Graduate Students Association and the Evening Session Student Council are acting to coordinate their respective operations to bring them into line with the stipulations of the Charter. However, the Day Session Student Government, which had all but formerly adjourned its operations for the summer appears to have made no such plans. Prof. Irving Greger (Student Personnel Services) has, however, taken it upon his own initiative to form several ad hoc committees which have been laboring over the summer and through the registration period to prepare the Day Session for the transition. These ad hoc committees are now in the process of writing a new constitution for the Day Session Student Assembly (as it will be known) and designing the structure of a new Student Activity Fees Committee and guidelines for the appropriation of funds to the various organizations sponsored in the Day Session.

Despite these feverish activities it appears unlikely that the ad hoc committees will complete their functions by the end of September. If they do they still face the task of having the student body approve their actions. Whether all of this work can be completed in time for the orderly election of a Day Session Assembly and the efficient division of fees remains in doubt at this time.