



## BOARD OF HIGHER EDUCATION

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Mr. Albert Vann  
 Chairman  
 Bedford-Stuyvesant Coalition on  
 Educational Needs and Services  
 c/o Education Affiliate  
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Dear Mr. Vann:

In accordance with our agreement as reached at the meeting on March 14, Chairman Chandler and I outlined the major points presented by your committee, to the members of the Board of Higher Education at the Board's regular monthly meeting on March 25. As a first step, the Board took the following action.

C20 Community College Number Seven: The following statement of action on Community College Number Seven was noted and resolutions adopted:

The Board has received from Chairman Porter R. Chandler and from its presidential search committee for community college seven a comprehensive report on a meeting with representatives of the Bedford-Stuyvesant community at the Board headquarters on March 14.

The report includes a statement of the demands, preferences, and concerns of the Bedford-Stuyvesant community with respect to the proposed new college in central Brooklyn as set forth by these representatives of the Bedford-Stuyvesant community.

The Board has taken notice of these expressions.

In order to give further consideration to these views, the following action is taken:

RESOLVED, That the functions and responsibilities of the presidential search committee for community college seven be expanded to include the responsibility to plan for the development of and to activate the college in the central Brooklyn area designated as Community College Number Seven; and be it further

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RESOLVED, That this committee of five is directed by the Board to recognize and to meet jointly, on a continuing basis, with an equal number of individuals who shall represent the community or communities to be served by the college, who shall be designated by these communities, to participate fully in the continuing deliberations of the committee in planning the development and the activation of the college. The committee as thus enlarged shall be authorized to hear and consult with any and all individuals and groups in the communities in question who desire to, and have a claim to be heard on the matters within the competence of this committee; and be it further

RESOLVED, That the Board Committee shall advise those representatives of the Bedford-Stuyvesant community with whom the committee met at Board headquarters on March 14, 1968, as to the sense of this resolution and is directed to meet further as soon as possible with these and other community representatives to discuss the implementation of this resolution.

The above stated resolutions have given a new mission, and have markedly expanded the purview of what was formerly the presidential search committee. I believe this action is consistent with the spirit of our discussions and the informal commitments made to you and your committee.

I have asked Dean Shenker to arrange for a meeting between the presidential search committee and your committee as soon as possible so that we can discuss procedures regarding implementation of the Board's resolution.

Sincerely,

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Chairman  
Committee to Seek Presidents  
for Community Colleges Seven  
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