Minutes of the Executive Committee Meeting, May 13, 2005

Present: S. Artemov (Graduate Center), G. Bloom (City), T. Brown (E.O.), Y. Kong (Queens), L. Leung (Student), S. Shankar (Hunter), M. Tausner (Staten Island), X. Yan (Student)

1. The minutes of the March 11, 2005 meeting were approved as amended.

2. T. Brown made the following announcements:

(a) The Curriculum Committee of the Graduate Center did not approve the curriculum change passed by the C.S. Executive Committee, which was to require C.S. students to have a refereed publication prior to graduation.

(b) The two student members of the executive committee are to be replaced next fall. One is graduating this semester and the other will be out of the country.

3. The following issues were discussed:

(a) Ph.D. students entering the program without a Master’s degree in C.S. were discussed. T. Brown is arranging for these students to take Master’s courses on other campuses.

(b) Number of students who should be accepted into the Ph.D. program was discussed. The related problem of providing financial support for admitted students was discussed.

(c) T. Brown raised the issue of Ph.D faculty not reporting on service or publications for the 5 year update.

4. Applications from candidates requesting that they be admitted to the Ph.D. faculty were considered and the following actions were taken:

   Dr. Florian Lengyel - to be admitted as a provisional member of the Ph.D. faculty. Passed unanimously

   Dr. Catherine St. John - to be admitted as a permanent member of the Ph.D. faculty. Passed unanimously

   Dr. William Sakas - to be admitted as a permanent member of the Ph.D. faculty. Passed: 5 yes, 1 abstention

   Dr. Bilal Khan - to be admitted as a provisional member of the Ph.D. faculty. Passed unanimously

   Dr. Louis D’Alotto - to be admitted as a permanent member of the Ph.D. faculty. Tabled.
The Executive Committee has asked for results of recent paper submission by Dr. D’Alotto.

The meeting was adjourned at 11:50 A.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Miriam Tausner