Finding Aid

Revolting Behavior Conference Papers

(from donations from Women’s Studies Program, Amy Kesselman, and Peri Rainbow)

“Revolting Behavior” Conference papers, 1997-2000
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2 boxes (1 linear ft.) plus two binders

Papers related to the SUNY New Paltz Women’s Studies Program conference titled “Revolting Behavior” held November 1, 1997 on the New Paltz Campus. Includes planning minutes, correspondence, news releases, conference program and conference evaluation forms. Also papers relating to the ensuing controversy, including a large collection of newspaper articles on the event and its aftermath. The bulk of these papers came from Dr. Amy Kesselman of NP Women’s Studies Program (now Women’s, Gender, and Sexuality Studies Program), some papers were also donated by Peri Rainbow, who served on the conference planning committee (noted with PR in the finding aids).

Note: News clippings contained in two binders from the Women’s Studies Program have been recopied and placed in chronological order in a flat box for ease of use. The original binders remain with the collection as well. Collection Organized by Morgan Gwenwald, Librarian. Finding Aid written by Katie Ciehomski, student assistant.

Overview

• Time Line. Revolting Behavior: The challenges of Women’s Sexual Freedom.
• Press release 11/12/1997

Conference Planning

• 1997 Conference Committee Directory List.
• 1997 Minutes 6/18/1997 “Women’s Studies Conference Committee Meeting; Next meeting is Wed. July 2, 5pm”.
• 1997 Conference Committee Meeting Minutes 7/2/1997 “Next Meeting – Wed. August 6, 5pm Program Committee – July 23, 5pm”.
• Letter from Amy Kesselman to Rosalind Petchesky.
• Call for Proposals Deadline is July 21, Revolting Behavior: The Challenged of Women’s Sexual Freedom.
• Proposal Letter from Joyce A. Garber to Conference Program Committee 7/16/1997.
• Letter from Amy Kesselman to Eugenia Acuna 8/25/1997.
• Letter from Amy Kesselman to Geri Smith 7/15/1997 “Speaking engagement for Nahid Toubia”.
• Handwritten Letter from Eugenia Acuna “Empowerment as a strategy to reclaim our sexuality: The experience with Latinas”.
• Responses from Evaluation Forms Revolting Behavior 1997.
• Schedule for Revolting Behavior: The Challenges of Women’s Sexual Freedom; A Conference.
• Workshop outline from Eugenia Acuna.

The Conference

• News Release from the Office of Public Affairs at State University of New York, New Paltz. 10/24/1997. “Revolting Behavior is Topic of SUNY Women’s Studies Conference New Paltz”.
• News Release from the Office of Public Affairs at State University of New York, New Paltz. 10/16/1993. “Revolting Behavior is Topic of SUNY Women’s Studies Conference New Paltz”.
• Schedule for Revolting Behavior: The Challenges of Women’s Sexual Freedom; A Conference.
• Responses from Evaluation Forms Revolting Behavior 1997.
• Revolting Behavior conference packet for attendees. ( Saturday Nov.1st 1997 SUNY New Paltz)
• Revolting Behavior Conference informational flyer. [PR]
The Attack

- Letter to Council Member from Truth in Politics 10/11/1997. “Call for a SUNY Board of Trustees Evaluation of SUNY New Paltz President Roger W. Bowen”.
- Letter of Dr. de Russy’s text from “Notes on the SUNY New Paltz Conference (11/1/97) Titled Revolting Behavior.
- Article from a Pamphlet Collection (Sojourner Truth Library, State University College New Paltz, NY). “Trustee Meddling on New Paltz” [PR]
- Article from a Pamphlet Collection (Sojourner Truth Library, State University College New Paltz, NY) written by Candace de Russy. “‘Revolting Behavior’: the Irresponsible Exercise of Academic Freedom.” [PR]

Support/Analysis

- Article “Using Sex to Sell a Hidden Agenda: Behind the Attack on SUNY New Paltz”.
- Information for support letter for Women’s Studies conference.
- Information about Leading CHANGE-NY Figures
- Ground Rules and Tips for Challenging the Right packet
- “The Incredible Shrinking Public” from The Twilight of Equality? Neoliberalism, Cultural Politics & the Attack on Democracy by Lisa Duggan.
- Excerpt from A Fragile Union by Joan Nestle.
- B’nai B’rith Support
- Letter about Opus Dei
- A Plea for Community Support from SUNY New Paltz Faculty, Staff and Students to Faculty, Staff and Students of Colleges and Universities throughout The Northeast Region 3/5/1998.
- The New Paltz Brouhaha.
- News Report from American Civil Liberties Union Briefing Paper “Freedom of Expression”.
- Letter about Free Speech from UUPWES to UUPGR (Broadcast to all Chapters) 2/24/1998.
• News Report from Think Tank Monitor “Writers of the Right Unite”
• Agenda, Dec. 4, 1998, Possible Research Project into right wing attacks.
• Eclectic Bibliography “What Do They Fear?”
• Sex Panic! Publication November 1997.
• Sign Up List for ideological litmus tests to Senator Kenneth Lavalle Assemblyman Edward Sullivan”.
• Flyer “Who’s Naughty Now, Candy?” SUNY Stonybrook Press.
• Excerpt from The Trouble with Normal: Sex, Politics and the Ethics of Queer Life. 1999.
• List of Leading Figures in CHANGE-NY (last updated 6/29/00).
• Media List/Letters to the Editor.
• Revolting Behavior flyer (orig. copy)
• A memorandum addressing where letters of support for the Women’s Studies conference should be sent. {PR]
• SUNY New Paltz Memorandum addressed to Dallas Beal, Chair, Chancellor’s Review Committee from Susan Lehrer, Coordinator, Women’s Studies Program and, Amy Kesselman, Professor of Women’s Studies inquiring about the Women’s Studies Conference. 11/24/1997. [PR]
• Newspaper article from the Buffalo News, “SUNY campus that had sex conference gets $350,000 from couple.” 12/13/1997. [PR]

Correspondence

• Memorandum from Amy Kesselman and Susan Lehrer to Roger Bowen 10/17/1997.
• Letter from a parent to Governor Pataki 11/10/1997.
• Letter from Bill Scheuerman to All Chapters 11/7/1997.
• Letter from Susan Lehrer to Thomas Egaon “Women’s Studies Conference” 11/13/1997.
• Academic Senate Resolution submitted by Amy Kesselman 11/7/1997.
• Letter from a parent to Thomas Eagon 11/10/1997.
• Resolution on an attack of two recent conferences 11/12/1997.
• Press Release 11/12/1997 Women’s Studies Program.
• Letter from William H. Sample to President Roger Bowen 11/19/1997.
• Regular Report #2 (11/14/1997) Office of the Vice Chancellor for University Relations
  (pgs 1-2 out of 3)
• Letter to the Editor from the Women’s Studies Program (Dr. Amy Kesselman and Dr.
  Susan Lehrer) 11/17/1997
• Memorandum from Susan Lehrer and Amy Kesselman to Dalla Beal, Chancellor’s
  Review Committee (a inquiry re: Woman’s Studies Conference) 11/24/1997
• Newspaper report (Panel investigating SUNY Conference) 11/25/1997
• Letter from Gerry Sorin to Susan Lehrer and Amy Kesselman (attached post-
  it)11/28/1997
• Letter to Amy Kesselman and Susan Lehrer from Gerry Sorin 12/03/1997
• Panel Proposal for Activism and the Academy: Open Dialogues 12/04/1997
• Letter to the Editor from Amy Kesselman 12/29/1997
• Letter to Amy Kesselman (and Susan and Pat) from E. Wayne Ross (Associate Professor
  at Binghamton University) ND
• Letter to The Campus Community from President Roger W. Bowen (SUNY New Paltz)
  12/18/1997
• Email about New York Times editorial on 12/27/1997 from Dick Reddy to Amy
  Kesselman
• Letter to Amy Kesselman and Susan Lehrer from Roger Bowen entitled “Trustee de
  Russy” 01/25/1998
• Letter to Roger Bowen, President of SUNY New Paltz about the Conference Report from
  Susan Kesselman 01/29/1998
• Letter to Chancellor Ryan from the National Coalition Against Censorship 02/06/1998
• Letter to Ms. Summerlin from Nick Paradiso 02/11/1998
• Email entitled, “Free Speech” 11/25/1998
• Email to Amy Kesselman from Sandi Cooper entitled, “New Paltz Update and Change N
  Y” 03/01/1998
• Media Advisory entitled “The Preservation of the State University of New York”
  02/24/1998
• Letter to Joan Bertin (Exec. Director for National Coalition Against Censorship) from Dr.
  Susan Lehrer 09/28/1998
• Letter to the Director of Women’s Studies Department at SUNY New Paltz from Stephen
  Thomas (note on document from Susan Lehrer) 11/13/1998
• Letter to Karen Summerlin from Peter Shipley, Chairman of Truth in Politics inquiring
  about a Ms. Rose Rudnitski
• Letter to The Wall Street Journal by Jennifer Scanlon (Chair exec. of the SUNY Women’s Studies Council) concerning an editorial written by Roger Kimball on 11/05/1997. 11/10/1997.


• News Release: “Performance artists Shelly Mars to be Featured at SUNY Conference” 10/10/1997
• News Release: “Revolting Behavior is Topic of SUNY Women’s Studies Conference” 10/24/1997
• Online article (Nexis) The Hearst Corporation in the Times Union 10/23/1997
• Newspaper article from the Daily Freeman 10/30/1997. “SUNY women’s conference challenges limits”.
• Newspaper article from the Daily Freeman 11/06/1997. “Sex confab at SUNY angers conservatives; Pataki orders investigation”
• Newspaper Article from The Record 11/07/1997. “We did not set out to run a carnival”
• Newspaper Article from The Record 11/07/1997. “We did not set out to run a carnival” [PR]
• Newspaper Article from The Times Herald-Record (Front Page) 11/07/1997. “Sex, Politics and SUNY” (original clipping)
• Editorial from The Times Herald-Record 11/07/1997. “Governor mixes sex and politics”. (original clipping)
• Editorial from The Times Herald-Record 11/07/1997. “Governor mixes sex and politics”. (Xerox copy)
• Fax to Susan Lehrer of a newspaper article from the Journal Albany Bureau 11/07/1997. “Officials: Oust college president.” (page 1) and attached article, “SUNY: President’s ouster called for”.
• Fax to Amy Kesselman and Pat Clarke of a Newspaper article from The Daily Freeman 11/07/1997: “Fire Bowen, three state officials say: SUNY New Paltz leader under fire for sex conference.”
• Newspaper article from The Times Herald-Record 11/01/1997. “Sex, politics and SUNY”. (Xerox copy)
• Newspaper article from The New York Times 11/07/1997. “At SUNY, A conference About sex is Criticized”. 
• Email of article “University in Heat Over Sex Conference” 11/07/1997
• Newspaper article The Times Herald-Record 11/19/1997. “Yesterday’s blasphemy: ‘Seconding the First’ production a highlight of free speech”
• Newspaper article from the Poughkeepsie Journal 11/08/1997. “Community divided over value of conference.”
• Newspaper article from the Poughkeepsie Journal 11/08/1997 “or 11/09/1997”. SUNY conference riles region”.
• Newspaper article from The Region 11/09/1997. “SUNY campus quiets down”.
• Newspaper clipping from the Daily Freeman 11/14/1997. “SUNY’s Bowne holds his ground: President faces sex confab critics”
• Newspaper clipping from the Daily Freeman 11/18/1997. “Trustee should move on”
• Newspaper article from Buffalo News 11/18/1997. “The mistake at New Paltz wasn’t a silly conference; it was mentioning sex.”
• Newspaper article from Buffalo News 11/18/1997. “The mistake at New Paltz wasn’t a silly conference; it was mentioning sex.” [PR]
• Letter to the Editor of The Chronicle of Higher Education, Inc from Bradford P. Wilson, Executive Director and Acting President of the National Association of Scholars, Princeton, NJ
• Newspaper article from the Village Voice 11/25/1997. “Sexual Smokescreen: Attacks on SUNY— New Paltz cloud the real agenda”. (2 copies) [PR]
• Letter(s) to the Editor, from the Sunday Freeman written by, Henry Cavanagh 11/23/1997. “We provided an open forum” and, “Bowen is the victim of ambush”
• Newspaper article from the Poughkeepsie Journal 12/07/1997. “You can’t shoot the messenger; free means free.”
• Point of view article from the Chronicle of Higher Education 12/19/1997. “Politicizing Academic Freedom Vulgarizing Scholarly Discourse”.
• Newspaper article from the Sunday Freeman 12/07/1997. “Academic freedom is the issue at SUNY New Paltz”.
• Newspaper article from the Stony Brook Press 11/26/1997. “Candace Derussy Blowin’ Away all Comers”
• Newspaper clipping from Stony Brook Press 12/10/1998. President Kenny Bows to de Russy”.
• Newspaper article from The Times Herald-Record 12/13/1997. “Sex and the soccer player: Healthy attitudes could scare some at SUNY”.
• Newspaper article from The Times Herald-Record 12/18/1997. “Anonymous donor gives college 350,000 for museum”.
• Newspaper article from The Times Herald-Record 12/18/1997. “Speaking freely”.
• Newspaper article from the Daily Freeman 12/19/1997. Report gives ‘not guilty’ to Bowen: SUNY trustee gives his view of shrouded report”.
• Newspaper article from The Times Herald-Record 12/19/1997. “Pataki’s eyes aren’t shining”.
• Newspaper article from Ottaway News Service 12/19/1997. SUNY’s Bowen not out of the woods yet: Bowen critic asserts last word not in yet”.
• Point of view article from the Chronicle of Higher Education 12/19/1997. “Politicizing Academic Freedom Vulgarizing Scholarly Discourse”.
• Editorial from the Poughkeesie Journal 12/19/1997. “SUNY should conclude review”.
• Newspaper article from Ottaway News Service 12/20/1997. “SUNY trustees reprimanded”.
• Newspaper article from The Times Herald-Record 12/20/1997. “Week in Review”.
• Newspaper article from the Daily Freeman 12/21/1997. “SUNY chancellor may release report on sex conference”.
• Letter to the editor from the Daily Freeman written by, Michele Simo 12/21/1997. “Which is more revolting?”
• Newspaper front page from the Poughkeepsie Journal 12/23/1997. “Perspectives diverge sharply on sex forum”.
• Newspaper article from the Poughkeepsie Journal 12/23/1997. “Judgment, not freedom, at issue”.
• Newspaper article from the Poughkeepsie Journal 12/23/1997. “Academic freedom not cart blanche”.
• Newspaper article from the Poughkeepsie Journal 12/23/1997. “Shots at Bowen are misdirected”.
• Newspaper article from The Ottaway News Service 12/23/1997. “Sexuality conference was privately funded: $800 spent in state funds, says report”.
• Newspaper article from the Poughkeepsie Journal 12/23/1997. “Academic freedom not cart blanche”.
• Letter to the Editor of the Daily Freeman, written by Sylvia Day 12/24/1997. “Reprimand SUNY president”.
• Letter to the Editor from the Times Herald-Record, written by Robert A. Nichols 12/24/1997. “SUNY’s wrong agenda”
• Newspaper article from the Times Herald-Record 12/24/1997. “Organizers expected sex confab controversy”. (2 Xeroxed copies)
• Newspaper article from the Times Herald-Record 12/24/1997. “Sex flap may chill faculty”.
• Newspaper article from the Daily Freeman 12/24/1997. “According to SUNY sex report, academic freedom warrants support”.
• Newspaper article from the Times Herald-Record 12/27/1997. “A year to remember: Sex and the SUNY system”.
• Newspaper article from the Sunday Record 12/28/1997. “Sex is hot on campus: studies in sexuality are increasingly popular”.
• Newspaper article from the Sunday Record 12/28/1997. “Sex is hot on campus: studies in sexuality are increasingly popular”. [PR]
• Letter to the editor from the Times Herald-Record, written by Michele Simo 12/28/1997. “Support Bowen and SUNY”.
• Newspaper article from the Times Herald-Record 12/28/1997. “An extraordinary year: Region had its share of big news, topped by VA cutbacks”.
• Letters in the Poughkeepsie Journal 12/29/1997. “‘Academic freedom’ doesn’t mean license”.
• Editorial from the Poughkeepsie Journal, written by Jay Gallagher 01/05/1998. “Commentary meant to ruffle some feathers”.
• Newspaper article from the ‘Nation and World’ section of the Poughkeepsie Journal 01/05/1998.
• Editorial from the Poughkeepsie Journal 01/05/1998. “Make SUNY report tougher”.
• Original copy of the Stony Brook Press 01/28/1998 with article entitled, “Manufacturing Dissent: A Tale of Dissemination, Domination, Dykes and deRussy”. (pg. 3)
• Newspaper article from the Times Union online version 02/24/1998. “SUNY New Paltz braces for new round of criticism”.
• Editorial from the Times Union (Albany, New York) 01/30/1998. “A free-speech casualty: SUNY’s chancellor scolds a subordinate over a recent forum at the New Paltz campus”.
• Letter to the Editor, written by E. Wayne Ross 02/12/1998. “Ryan caves in to those who would gut SUNY”.
• Campus Advisory about the Newspaper article from the Albany Times Union 02/26/1998. “SUNY New Paltz braces for new round of criticism”.
• Newspaper clipping from the Daily Freeman 02/25/1998. “Group floods college with info requests.”
• The Advocate: The City University of New York Graduate School and University Center Newspaper 03/1998.
• Newspaper articles from The Voice 03/1998. “New Paltz Controversy part of herstory” and, “Trustee de Russy defends her position”.
• Newspaper article from The Oracle (the Official Student Newspaper of SUNY New Paltz) 03/19/1998. “Change-NY investigates SUNY New Paltz recent FOIL syllabi, resume probe raises concern about group’s agenda.”
• Newspaper article from the Middletown Record 07/17/1998. “Donations flooding SUNY New Paltz”.
• Newspaper article from the Daily Freeman 08/23/1998. “Speech at SUNY is art for art’s sake”
• Article in The Village Voice Educational Supplement summer of 1998. “Enemies of Public Education: Who is behind the Attacks on CUNY and SUNY?”
• Article in The Village Voice Educational Supplement summer of 1998. “Enemies of Public Education: Who is behind the Attacks on CUNY and SUNY?” (2 copies) [PR]
• Newspaper article from the Village Voice Educational Supplement 04/21/1998. “Following the Money”.
• Newspaper article from the Times Herald-Record, written by Mike Levine.
• Newspaper article written by Alan Chartock. “The Capitol Connection”.
• Letters to the editor from the Chronicle of Higher Education 1998(?).
• Partial newspaper clipping written by, Robert David Sullivan 1997.
• Newspaper article (orig. copy) of a letter to the editor, written by Imelda Hallenbeck 1997.
• Newspaper article 1997. “Professor: Critics block social progress”.
• Newspaper article from the Daily Freeman, 1997. “Chancellor comes out swinging”
• Newspaper article from the Sunday Freeman, “Chancellor comes out swinging.” 02/01/1998. (2 copies) [PR]
• Political cartoon on “SUNY New Paltz symposium on Academic Freedom”.
• Newspaper article from the Times Herald-Record 1997. “Play at SUNY riles conservatives”.
• Newspaper article (orig. copy), The Voice 04/1998. “Union ‘cautiously optimistic about hospital flex legislation”
• Newspaper article from The Times Herald-Record 10/04/1998. “Conference lessons learned: Women hope to understand controversy”.
• Newspaper article 1998. “Women’s Studies at SUNY New Paltz Confronts Rightwing Attacks”.
• Letter from the Times Herald-Record Newspaper, “Sex toys don’t belong in a state college”. 11/15/1997. [PR]


• Newspaper article from Voice (Official Publication of United University Professions) 10/1998 (Original). “Ill winds: people, programs and policy tossed about”.
• Newspaper article from the Daily Freeman 10/17/1998. “SUNY offers piece de resistance” and a newspaper article “Women’s conference draws on controversy”.
• Newspaper article from The Times Herald-Record 10/20/1998. “SUNY avoiding spotlight: Women’s conference to be ‘sedate’”.
• Editorial from The Times Herald-Record 10/22/1998. “‘Drawing a line’ is going too far”.
• Newspaper article from the Poughkeepsie Journal 10/22/1998. “Furor inspires SUNY seminar”.
• Newspaper article from the New York Post 10/23/1998. “Here we go with another SUNY ‘sex’ forum”.
• Newspaper article from Women’s World Organization for Rights, Literature and Development (Women’s WORLD) 11/16/1998. “Pataki’s Army Goes Onward to SUNY”
• Newspaper article from the Daily Freeman 11/20/1998. “College Council debated its role on SUNY campus”.
• Newspaper article from the Daily Freeman 06/21/1998. “Pataki, visiting New Paltz, draws more foes than friends”.
• Newspaper article from the Times Herald-Record 03/04/1999. “OCCC to host goddess conference”.
• Letter(s) to the editor from the Times Herald-Record 02/27/1999. “Bowen’s remarks” (Maureen C. McShea) and “Untitled” (William A. Donohue)
• Newspaper article from the Times Herald-Record 3/20/1999. “Article unfair portrayal of Bowen lecture”.
• Newspaper article from the Sunday Freeman 03/21/1999. “College with a future”.
• Newspaper article from the Times Herald-Record 03/25/1999. “Schmidt to be sentenced: Former SUNY New Paltz dean pleads guilty to felony charge”.
• Fax sent to Pat Clarke from Vicki of a newspaper article from the Times Herald-Record 05/28/1999. “Ryan’s ties to Kinsey criticized”.
• Magazine article from Ms. April/ May 1999 edition. “To watch”
• Newspaper article from the New York Post 05/15/1999. “Pornography for College Credit”.
• Newspaper article from the Voice (Official Publication of United University Professions) 10/1999 (orig. copy). “From the halls of SUNY central”.
• Newspaper article from the Poughkeepsie Journal 02/18/2000. “SUNY head asked to quit over play”.
• Newspaper article from the Times Herald-Record 02/24/2000. “Bowen should resign at New Paltz”.
• Newspaper article from the Daily Freeman 08/23/2000. “College subsidizing conference”.
• Newspaper article from the Daily Freeman 08/16/2000. “Fund dry for SUNY conference”.
• Newspaper article from The New York Post (online version) 05/16/2001. “When Meddling’s a Duty”.
• Newspaper article from the Times Union 05/18/2001. “Consider the source of criticism of SUNY”.
• Newspaper article from the Daily Freeman 10/25/1998. “They will not be silenced: Women (and men) strike back”
• Newspaper article from New York Blade News 01/30/1998. “Chancellor blasts SUNY Conference.” (2 copies) [PR]
• Newspaper article from the Buffalo News 12/17/1997. “SUNY officials decline to disclose report on sex conference at New Paltz. [PR]

Report of the Chancellor’s Committee to review the Women’s Studies conference

• Packet- “Review into Women’s Studies Conference at SUNY New Paltz, November 1, 1997 (1-40)

Aftermath (miscellaneous)

• Point of View from the Chronicle of Higher Education 12/19/1997. “Politicizing Academic Freedom, Vulgarizing Scholarly Discourse”
• Fax to Susan Lehrer from Roger Bowin concerning a FOIL request 02/18/1998.
• Letter from SUNY New Paltz to the Honorable Trustees 04/27/1998.
• Newspaper article from the Times Herald-Record 07/28/1998. “SUNY trustees flex their muscle: Pataki’s board is decidedly (decidedly) more active and more conservative.
• Statement from the National Association of Scholars 04/02/1998. “Is the Curriculum Biased?”
• Print out: Reflections on the Conference.
• Print out: The Women’s Studies Conference is still making news.
• Newspaper article from the Times Herald-Record 09/22/2003. “Village to co-sponsor women’s conference at SUNY New Paltz
• Responses from Evaluation Forms: Revolting Behavior 1997. [PR]
• Truth in Politics Newsletter “Re: Call for SUNY Board of Trustees Evaluation of SUNY New Paltz President Roger W. Bowen.” 10/11/1997. [PR]
• Song lyrics sung by Jeanne Dickson at UUP Delegate Assembly, Spring, 1998
Aftermath: The Academic Freedom Conference

- Letter from SUNY New Paltz office of the President, Roger Bowen 02/10/1998.
- Academic Freedom conference Planning- List of names.
- Fax from the President of SUNY New Paltz 03/13/1998 (list of committee members).
- Letter to Professor Carole S. Vance from the Office of the President of SUNY New Paltz, Roger Bowen 03/16/1998.
- Letter written by Gerald Benjamin, intern Dean about materials about Academic Freedom.
- Conversations on Academic Freedom: Case Studies worksheet.
- Conversations on Academic Freedom worksheet for discussion groups 05/01/1998.
- Article on Herbert I. London sent to Dean Benjamin 03/06/1998.
- Letter to Professor Fred Seigel, Cooper Union College from Gerald Benjamin, Interim Dean at SUNY New Paltz about New Paltz Conference on “Academic Freedom and Freedom of Speech.”
- Conference packet that lists events for “A Conversation on Academic Freedom” (Amy Kesselman’s copy) 04/30/1998.
- A Conversation on Academic Freedom pamphlet (orig. copy) 05/01/1998.
- A teaching unit on Academic freedom with “A Conversation on Academic Freedom” pamphlet attached.
- Newspaper article from the Official Student Newspaper of SUNY New Paltz (the Oracle) 05/07/1998. “College discusses academic freedom.”
Readings for **Academic Freedom Conference**

- Letter to SUNY New Paltz Faculty and Staff from Gerald Benjamin, Interim Dean on “the Events on Academic Freedom and Free Expression” 04/24/1998 (Amy Kesselman’s orig. copy)
- A Xerox copy of “Chapter Three: The Justification of Academic Freedom”
- Xeroxed copy of “1940 statement of Principles on Academic Freedom and Tenure: with 1970 Interpretive Comments”.
- Article on “The War on Culture, Art in America” written by Carole S. Vance and other miscellaneous articles sent to Amy Kesselman (with attached handwritten note) 09/1989.

Aftermath: **Open (Organizing for Public Educateon Now) Organizing**

- Pamphlet for Open (Organizing for Public Education Now) Orig. copy (3)
- Xerox copy of Pamphlet for Open
- List of contacts for OPEN
- Newspaper article from the Times Herald-Record 07/28/1998. “SUNY trustees flex their muscle: Pataki’s board is decidely (decidedly) more active and more conservative”
- Article entitled “SUNY”
- Newspaper article(s) from The Legislative Gazette (Orig. copy) 05/18/1998. “ The Preservation of the State University of New York: The SUNY Magna Carta Governance of the State University of New York”
- Letter to the Editor of the Albany Times Union written by a group of residents of New York State. 10/01/1998.
- Article from The Nation, written by Annette Fuentes 10/05/1998. “Trustees of the Right’s Agenda”
- Xerox copy of a pamphlet for OPEN (Organization for Public Education Now)
- Xerox copy of a ‘Telephone-Tree for OPEN (Organization for Public Education Now)
- Newspaper article from the Daily Freeman 11/05/1998. “Strengthen public ed, group urges”
- Print-out entitled, “9 reasons to be OPEN (Organization for Public Education Now) ang against Change-NY”
- Typed article entitled, “ New Group Announces New Paltz Forum on Public Education”
- Outline of Information about Leading CHANGE-NY Figures ( Draft)
• OPEN’s Coalition-Building List 10/17/1998?
• Print-out of the agenda for Organizing for Public Education Now forum. 11/19/1998
• Article entitled, “Rallying around Socrates in New Paltz.
• Letter addressed, ‘To Whom it may Concern,’ concerning New York State Assemblyman John Guerin.
• Overview of OPEN’s Forum Issues (For panelists only; not for distribution- orig. copy)
• Beth’s opening Remarks at OPEN forum (Orig. copy)
• Xerox copy of “The Preservation of the State University of New York”
• Article from Classroom Crusades entitled “NAACP Warns of the Dangers of Vouchers: No Shield Should be Left Behind” 1998.
• Newspaper article from Ottaway News Service (The Record) 1998. “Where is SUNY headed?”
• Newspaper article from the New York Times 12/21/1998. “Standards Are a Calling For Bold SUNY Trustee: Educator Plays Role with Unusual Gusto”
• Newspaper article from the Times Herald-Record 12/18/1998. “High marks for SUNY”
• Email from Bill Scheuerman on Trustee vote on “core curriculum” from SMTP%"uupwes@uunet.uu.net” 12/15/1998.
• Email that begins, “Yesterday shared governance died at SUNY. 12/16/1998
• Newspaper article from NY Teacher 11/18/1998. “Voices of reason speak up for public education”.
• An article from the OPEN (Organization for Public Education Now) publication 1998. “CHANGE-NY and the threat to public education”
• Letter to the Preservationists and the friends of the State University of New York from John Mather with attached packet of information entitled, “Points for the Preservation of the State University of New York: Issue 1. Volume I.”
• Newspaper article from the New York Times Metro 12/12/1998. “SUNY Poised to Require Core Courses”.
• Email about the function of the Center for Excellence in Higher Education.
• Email entitled, “Trustees attack academic freedom with mandate”
• Letter from the United University Professions 01/07/1999 beginning, “SUNY’s Trustees did it again!” signed by William E. Scheuerman, President of the United University Professions.
• Email to Mark Shechner about a “Spam Email from Robert L. King (Chancellor od the SUNY board of Trustees) 12/13/1999.
• Amy Kesselman’s orig. copy of, “The Connection: Newsletter for Chapter Leaders of United University Professions”. 05/05/1999.

Aftermath: **Silencing Women Conference**

• Newspaper article from Women’s World Organization for Rights, Literature & Development 11/16/1998. “Pataki’s Army Goes Onward to SUNY”
• Pamphlet entitled,” Silencing Women: Voices of Resistance” 10/24/1998
• Xeroxed copy of the “Silencing Women: Voices of Resistance” Program 10/24/1998.
• Article from Phoebe Volume 10, issue #2, Fall 1998. “Women’s Studies in the Time of Cholera”
• Fax of a Newspaper article (pg. 1) from the Daily Freeman to Pat Clarke from Vicki 10/17/1998. “SUNY offers piece de resistance: Women’s studies conference draws from 1997 controversy”.
• News release 09/30/1998. “Women’s Studies Fall Conference set for October 24th New Paltz”
• Letter to SUNY New Paltz College Council from Peter Shipley, Chairman of Truth in Politics. 11/12/1998

Aftermath: **Through the Looking Glass Conference**

• Memorandum to Ms.Denise Bauer, Ms. Pat Clarke, Professors Simone Federman, Amy Kesselman and Rose Rudnitski from Provost David Lavallee about the Through the Looking Glass Conference. 07/31/2000
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• Letter to Provost David Lavallee from Amy Kesselman 08/14/2000.
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