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TO: President John E. Van de Wetering
FROM: The Faculty Senate Meeting on 4-19-93
(Date)
RE: X I. Formal Resolution (Act of Determination)
II. Recommendation (Urging the fitness of)
III. Other (Notice, Request, Report, etc.)
For your information
SUBJECT: Admissions Parameters for Exceptional Talent
Students

Signed *William A. Stone* Date Sent 4-26-93
(For the Senate)

TO: The Faculty Senate
FROM: President John E. Van de Wetering
RE: I. Decision and Action Taken on Formal Resolution
a. Accepted. Effective Date *Apr 93*
b. Deferred for discussion with the Faculty Senate
on _____
c. Unacceptable for the reasons contained in the
attached explanation
II, III.
a. Received and acknowledged
b. Comment:

DISTRIBUTION: *See attached list*

Distribution Date *4/28/93* Signed: *[Signature]*
(President of the College)

ADMISSIONS PARAMETERS FOR EXCEPTIONAL TALENT STUDENTS

RECOMMENDATION: THAT THE BASIC ADMISSIONS PARAMETERS FOR EXCEPTIONAL TALENT FRESHMEN BE CHANGED TO REMOVE THE REQUIREMENT THAT STUDENTS MUST BE ELIGIBLE FOR ENL 112 OR QNT 111. ALL OTHER ADMISSIONS PARAMETERS FOR THIS GROUP SHALL BE MAINTAINED.

BACKGROUND

A DESCRIPTION OF THE EXCEPTIONAL TALENT PROGRAM (PREVIOUSLY CALLED SPECIAL TALENT) IS DESCRIBED ON PAGE 13 OF THE 1991-1993 UNDERGRADUATE CATALOG.

"SPECIAL TALENT. STUDENTS WITH SPECIAL TALENT IN THE FINE ARTS OR ATHLETICS MAY BE CONSIDERED FOR SPECIAL TALENT ADMISSION. THE STUDENT MUST DOCUMENT HIS/HER TALENT THROUGH AN AUDITION, A PORTFOLIO, OR BY PROVIDING WRITTEN RECORDS OF PERFORMANCE. WRITTEN RECOMMENDATIONS ARE REQUIRED FROM INDIVIDUALS WHO ARE KNOWLEDGEABLE ABOUT THE STUDENT'S PERFORMANCE IN HIS OR HER TALENT AREA. STUDENTS SELECTED TO ENROLL THROUGH SPECIAL TALENT ADMISSION AGREE TO ENROLL IN A SPECIALLY-DESIGNED FRESHMAN PROGRAM WHICH INCLUDES TUTORIAL SESSIONS AND STUDY HALLS. ALL SPECIAL TALENT STUDENTS MUST LIVE ON CAMPUS FOR THE FRESHMAN YEAR."

-THE EXCEPTIONAL TALENT PROGRAM IS LIMITED TO 50 STUDENTS ANNUALLY.

-THE PLACEMENT REQUIREMENTS ADDED TO THE ADMISSIONS SELECTION CRITERIA HAVE PROVEN RESTRICTIVE, INACCURATE AND CONFUSING FOR COLLEGE RECRUITERS TO ADMINISTER. PLACEMENT TESTS ADMINISTERED BY ENGLISH AND MATH DEPARTMENTS DURING FIRST WEEK OF CLASSES OFTEN CHANGE THE STUDENT'S INITIAL PLACEMENT.

-ADMISSIONS STAFF SHOULD NOT BE EXPECTED TO "PLACE" STUDENTS AS PART OF THE SELECTION PROCESS.

-THERE IS NO DATA TO SUGGEST THAT THE FEW STUDENTS WHO ARE REQUIRED TO TAKE BOTH ENL 102 AND QNT 110 ARE ANY LESS SUCCESSFUL THAN OTHER STUDENTS.

-EXCEPTIONAL TALENT STUDENTS ARE REQUIRED TO HAVE A MINIMUM CUMULATIVE GRADE POINT AVERAGE OF 2.0 AT THE CONCLUSION OF THE FIRST YEAR OR FACE ACADEMIC DISMISSAL. NO OTHER GROUP OF STUDENTS AT BROCKPORT ARE HELD TO THIS STANDARD. THIS EXTRA REQUIREMENT BALANCES ANY "LENIENCY" THAT MAY OCCUR IN THE ADMISSIONS PROCESS.

-REMAINING BASIC ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS FOR EXCEPTIONAL TALENT STUDENTS ARE UNCHANGED. THEY ARE:

- .17 ACADEMIC UNITS INCLUDING SENIOR YEAR
- .76-80 HIGH SCHOOL AVERAGE
- .SAT - MINIMUM 800
- .ACT - MINIMUM 17

The Office of the Dean of Arts and Performance will provide the Faculty Senate for the next four years with a review of Exceptional Talent Students who are required to start in both developmental skills courses currently named ENL 102 and QNT 110.