NEWARK FACULTY COUNCIL

Monday, May 2, 1994; 11:30 a.m. Provost's Conference Room

Present: Professors Adam, Adler, Borisovets, Cali, Caprio, Christian, D'Astolfo, Hollander, Jordan, Price, Segers, Yarcheski, Dr. Samuels, Dr. Russell, Mr. Smith, Mr. Vincenti and Mrs. Wolkstein.

Absent: Professors Ferguson, Kimball, Scoloveno, Shaw, Slocum, Tractenberg, and Vasarhelyi.

The Chair opened the meeting; minutes of the meeting on April 4, and notes of the joint meeting with the NJIT Council on April 13 were unanimously accepted as submitted.

Provost's Report: Dr. Samuels reported on

- a) status of the budget proposal to the President;
- b) status quo re: the Board and Department of Higher Education;
- c) the Council will be kept informed of changes in the Office of the Provost with the departure of Dr. Russell;
- d) NJIT collaborations, e.g., FAS-N Physics Department;
- e) Dr. Richard B. Sher, Professor of History jointly with NJIT, has been awarded a Guggenheim;
- f) Financial Accounting & Control System (FACS), the new Newark accounting system based on the Cook College Budget Management System which, it is hoped, will be implemented by July 1;
- g) status of options for the new building for School of Law;
- h) CSPAD evaluation of College of Nursing;
- i) success of the conference in Rutgers-Newark of The National Society of Black Physicists arranged by Earl Shaw;
- j) Council members were invited to attend the Newark commencement convocations, a list of which was distributed.

Update from the Chair: Dr. Caprio referred to communications regarding NFC's advice to the Provost on possible budget cuts; the NFC resolution to President Lawrence; and communication regarding concerns about changes in the University's purchasing system.

He also reported on the second meeting of the Chairs of NFC, NBFC and the Camden Senate. Dr. Russell suggested that the Newark Faculty Council report at University Senate meetings as does the New Brunswick Faculty Council. Dr. Samuels reminded the Council that its members are expected to report regularly to their colleagues.

Ted Hollander's resolution on the University's budget process was discussed and approved unanimously as modified. The Chair will forward the approved version to President Lawrence.

Status of Projects: Some of the preliminary responses, approximately 50% thus far, to the Physical Plant Survey were distributed. The Provost is committed to pursuing follow-up of problems cited with the Physical Plant Department.

The status of the Budget/Planning Sub-Committee was reported by Dr. Caprio.

Role of the Council for 1994/5: It was suggested that perhaps the the Academic Affairs Sub-Committee be expanded to include NFC members and other faculty for advice to the Provost, on an on-going basis, regarding evaluations, accreditation reviews, strategic plans, etc.

If needed, the last NFC meeting for the 1993/4 academic year is scheduled for Monday, June 6, 11:30 a.m., in the Provost's Conference Room.

Dr. Caprio thanked the Council for its participation, and on behalf of the Council, Dr. Cali thanked Ray for his chairmanship.

Meeting adjourned at 12:50 p.m.