

**Newark Faculty Council
Minutes
Meeting of May 5, 1997
Provost's Conference Room**

In attendance: Nabil Adam, Chair; Frances Bartkowski, Anne-Marie Cantwell, Harvey Feder, Janice Friedland, Ronald Hart, T. Edward Hollander, Judy Jeng, Asela Laguna-Diaz, Roger Lalancette, Don McCabe, John Payne, Phylis Peterman, John Randall, Norman Samuels, Norman Schnayer, Mary Ann Scoloveno, Raymond Smith, Gene Vincenti, Marcia Whicker.

Absent: Geraldine Brooks, James Finckenauer, Jan Lewis, Elizabeth Norman, Alfred Slocum, Barbara Stern, Miklos Vasarhelyi.

I. Provost's Report

Provost Samuels reported on the following matters:

- On the budget, Dr. Samuels noted no significant changes.
- SROA projects will be discussed at a meeting today.
- Roger Dennis has been named as Camden provost. Still to be named are University Librarian (subsequently, Marianne Gaunt) and College of Engineering Dean. In Newark, openings remain in areas of Housing (Director) and in Physical Plant (Director and Associate Director).
- Several Newark departments are currently conducting faculty searches.
- Answering a question regarding the status of the college honors program, Dr. Samuels noted the issue is being handled through FASN.
- In order to achieve Carnegie designation, the Newark Campus must maintain a level of at least 40 graduates for three years. This year there were only 35, but statistics will not be examined until 1999. Dr. Samuels noted he would not pressure candidates to complete, just to make the quota.

II. Chair's Report

Nabil Adam reported on the following items:

- A recent meeting of the President's Advisory Committee with President Lawrence proved to be unproductive. It was suggested that it would be more useful to invite the president to Newark. Items to discuss might include:
 - various campus programs
 - the State Commission on Higher Education's Capacity Task Force.

- techniques to keep good students in New Jersey.
- undergraduate scholarships for Newark such as those offered in Camden.

III. UMDNJ/NJIT Competition

Mary Ann Scoloveno opened a discussion on the recent announcement of UMDNJ and NJIT of plans for a joint Ph.D. program in Nursing and Public Policy .

It was agreed that this reflects the larger issue of developing competition between state schools. Rather than protesting individual programs, Rutgers Newark should examine means of counteracting them by becoming more innovative. It was suggested that the Nursing School might create its own program in Nursing and Public Policy which would combine already existing areas in the Nursing School and the Faculty of Management. It was also suggested that NJIT be approached to collaborate with Rutgers Newark thus capitalizing on existing partnerships. A Newark Faculty Council task force will look into developing a list of recommendations and pinpointing specific methods to combat competition. The task force will include: Marcia Whicker, Asela Laguna-Diaz, Mary Ann Scoloveno, and Nabil Adam. A letter to President Lawrence composed by Mary Ann Scoloveno will be restructured and put on hold.

The meeting was adjourned at 1:05 p.m.