

Newark Faculty Council
Minutes
Meeting of Monday, November 22, 1999 - 11:30 a.m.
Provost's Conference Room

In attendance: Nabil Adam, Ann-Marie Cantwell, Mei-Fang Cheng, Jane Gilman, Marc Holzer, Patricia Hurley, Jonathan Hyman, Charles Russell, Asela Laguna-Diaz, Anne Magro, Charles Russell, Diana Sclar, Ted Szatrowski, Virginia Tiger, Miklos Vasarhelyi, Myroslava Znayenko, Norman Samuels, Harvey Feder, George Laskaris, Norman Schnayer, Raymond Smith, Gene Vincenti, Janice Friedland.

I Provost's Report - Provost Samuels reported on the following matters:

Reinvest in Rutgers (R.I.R.) Program: Proposals given to the provost are being reviewed. The computer purchase subsidy component yielded over 400 computers on campus. Plans are being made to recycle older computers.

State Facilities Improvement Fund: Approximately \$30 million for the Newark Campus will be designated for deferred maintenance projects.

CLJ building: Furniture is arriving and the move will be made as scheduled, despite the contractor's delays. Parking will be arranged in the lot across the street (between Washington and Halsey Sts.). There will be an increase in spaces and students will park in the deck.

There was discussion on ways in which the Faculty Council can help obtain maximum support for campus renovation and building projects. Provost Samuels noted that since Newark's customary 20 percent of University funding awards has usually been linked to enrollment percentages, it is imperative that we raise enrolment figures to above 10,000. He emphasized that departments' strategies to decrease enrolment in order to improve programs is not always productive. **It was agreed that enrolment/recruitment should be an agenda topic for the next meeting.**

II Chair's Report

Marc Holzer read the letters to President Lawrence and AAUP President, Patricia Reeling which included a resolution regarding suspension of faculty members accused of harassment. A motion to amend the resolution to specify suspension "without pay" was not passed. A motion to amend the resolution as follows was passed unanimously:

The Newark Faculty Council recommends that the University Administration and the AAUP address the issue of affording a faculty member accused of harassment an evidentiary hearing by a neutral body composed of faculty members and students before such faculty member may be suspended.

III Computer Security Issues

The council discussed recent email exchanges dealing with computer network security. George Laskaris pointed out that the university security policy is administered by full time staff in New Brunswick. Departmental machines, he noted, are more vulnerable, and better policies are needed at this level.

A motion was made by Jane Gilman and passed unanimously as follows. It will be sent to George Laskaris with a request that he share it with appropriate forums:

The Newark Faculty Council is concerned about the issue of computer network security and about the policies of RUCS and the University on this issue.

IV Cost Sharing and Administrative Services

Carol Martancik outlined various training initiatives to be instituted on campus for grant application issues. Pre- and post-award staff are collaborating in this effort. A joint FAQs brochure is being produced as is a computer program to facilitate the process. Cost sharing workshops are being planned for faculty and administrative staff by discipline, and a letter explaining grant application changes will be going out to the campus shortly.

V Other Business

Virginia Tiger noted that problems with the touch tone registration system have allowed students to evade course prerequisites. Carol Martancik will investigate the matter.

The meeting was adjourned at 12:50 p.m. The next Faculty Council meeting will be **Monday, February 14, 2000 at 11:30 a.m. in the Provost's Conference Room of the new Center for Law And Justice, 123 Washington Street, 5th floor.**

ATTACHED: LIST OF COMMITTEES. CHAIRS SHOULD SCHEDULE COMMITTEE MEETINGS PRIOR TO THE FEBRUARY MEETING OF THE COUNCIL.

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