

Newark Faculty Council
Meeting of Monday, October 14, 2013 – 11:30 am
Chancellor's Conference Room 590
Center for Law & Justice
<http://nfc.newark.rutgers.edu>

Minutes

In attendance: *Elected Members* Edem Avakame, John Aveni, Jyl Josephson, John Kettle, Barry Komisaruk, Kenneth Kressel, Ray Leibman, Susan Lyons, Lee Mosher, Piotr Piotrowiak, Keir Reavie Alexander Sannella, James Tepper; *Interim Chancellor* Todd Clear; *Executive Associate, Chancellor's Office,* Janice Friedland; *Director Public Safety* Chief Mike Lattimore.

I. Chancellor's Report: Following introductions of members, Interim Chancellor Clear reported on the following matters:

- a. Budget:** Rutgers University's budget will be stretched over the next few years, in part a result of the university's entrance into the Big 10 conference and the merger with the medical school. The integration with the medical school was accompanied by separate budget strategies for all three campuses. Under the new formula, Rutgers-Newark will receive an extra \$7.3 million from the state.

Responsibility Centered Management (RCM) has replaced All Funds Budgeting. Under RCM, units keep all the revenue they generate from tuition. In addition, all units that generate resources are taxed for utility services such as electricity and heat, as well as for services such as security and safety. With All Funds Budgeting, the fees were collected 'off the top'. RCM will be a distributed calculation. Since not all units generate resources equally, and since there is a shared interest in certain common quality operations, the larger generating units will fund a subvention to subsidize the smaller ones.

NFC members inquired about the specific costs of running the campus and how the merger of units such as the Newark law school with Camden's as well as the merger with the medical school will affect Newark's allocation. Dr. Clear noted the creation of an interim committee including Nancy Winterbauer and all chancellors which is working on cost evaluations. Centralization of many services is being implemented. Dr. Clear pointed out that "central" and "New Brunswick" are not interchangeable terms. He also noted that cross collaboration will be advantaged in the university strategic plan (e.g.: law, business). The President supports all initiatives on the Newark campus which will strengthen campus interests and the campus will have more authority to pursue new projects. Regarding the admissions process, Dr. Clear stated that the campus will independently be able to reach out to students who identify this campus and its schools.

- b. Campus Safety:** Director of Public Safety, Mike Lattimore, distributed crime statistics for the last three years for the campus and adjacent property. He explained that the perception of safety is more problematic than the actual safety situation. He noted that five separate police departments serve 38 campus acres and the response across units is very good. The largest percent of recent robberies were of cellphones. Since those incidents involved a struggle, they were listed as strong arm robberies. The group agreed that the crime alerts, which are mandated by law, tend to increase anxiety and fear, even as they increase awareness. Vice

Chancellor Kemel Dawkins noted that the number of campus security personnel was increased last spring. Although no crime at all is of course most desirable, the numbers for Newark's University Heights district are not very high. More information may be obtained in Safety Matters, a university-wide report for all three Rutgers campuses: http://rupd.rutgers.edu/RUPD_files/Safety_Matters_2013.pdf

Suggestions were made to install better lighting and more alarms throughout the campus and to better publicize the protection that is available. Dr. Clear agreed to continue to update the NFC on campus safety at future meetings.

II. Chair's Report: Since this was the first meeting, Chair, Piotr Piotrowiak, did not have a report. He called for a discussion on two resolutions recently passed by the New Brunswick and Camden faculty councils to add a foundational element regarding faculty governance to the strategic plan framework. It was decided to use the Camden resolution verbatim, only exchanging 'Camden' for 'Newark', and to send the resolution to President Barchi. Members present voted unanimously to accept the new wording and to pass the Newark resolution (ATTACHED).

The meeting was adjourned at 1:00 pm. The next meeting of the Newark Faculty Council is scheduled for Monday, November 4, 2013, 11:30-1:00 in the Chancellor's Conference Room.