

**Newark Faculty Council**  
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**Meeting of Monday, March 28, 2011 – 11:30 am**  
**Chancellor's Conference Room**  
**Minutes**

**In attendance:** P. Axel-Lute, A. Chebel-D'Appollonia, F. Jordan, W. Ren, J. Ruggiero, D. Sclar, G. Sodikoff, T. Szatrowski, M. Vasarhelyi, E. Velez; I. Watson; S. Diner; A. Gates, D. Hill, G. Massenburg, M. Ryan, M. Tamasco, J. Friedland.

I. **Chancellor's Report:** Chancellor Steven Diner reported on the following:

- A Resource Center for LGBTQ Services will receive short-term central administration funding and be supported on an ongoing basis by student fees. The center will be located in Conklin Hall.
- University Commencement – A revised and shortened ceremony will be held on Sunday, May 15 in the New Brunswick football stadium. Degrees will no longer be handed out. All Newark and Camden students will be invited, whereas in previous years just a few students representing each school on the campus attended. The Newark campus commencement ceremonies are the following week. Students will be informed that they will receive their degrees at the Newark ceremony and need to be in attendance
- Diversity Outcomes Assessment – Mark Winston will come to the next NFC meeting to discuss the process, which is well underway.
- RBS Dean Search – the search committee is co-chaired by Rosa Oppenheim and Marc Holzer. Two candidates have already visited the campus and a third will do so in April.
- DGA Director – Jean-Marc Coicaud, who declined our offer of the position 2 ½ years ago, has again been considered and has accepted with a September 1 start date. Dr. Coicaud is currently Director of the United Nations University Office at the UN.
- Chancellor's Research Day is Thursday, April 21 at 2:00-5:00 pm in the Robeson Campus Center Multipurpose Room. Twelve R-N researchers will present a brief summary of their work. A reception will follow.

II. **Chair's Report:** Miklos Vasarhelyi noted that sub-committees need to convene and begin considering items to address.

III. **NFC Bylaws – Revisions:** A ballot to ratify the changes to the bylaws will be sent to all members. Please return it to Janice Friedland. Do not 'reply to all'.

IV. **Other Business:** Paul Axel-Lute was recognized for his exceptional work on the bylaws revisions and the Newark Faculty Council website – <http://nfc.newark.rutgers.edu>

The meeting was adjourned at 12:45 pm. The next Newark Faculty Council meeting is scheduled for Monday, May 2, 2011, at 11:30 am, in the Chancellor's Large Conference Room, CLJ 590.