FACULTY ADVISORY COUNCIL
Monday, September 14, 1992; 11:30 a.m.
Provost's Conference Room


Absent: Professors Cali, Ferguson, Slocum and Whitcomb.

Minutes of the May 15 Faculty Advisory Council were accepted without comment.

Nominations for FAC Officers and Cabinet: Since Ron Armstrong is now Associate Dean at GSM, he is no longer eligible to serve on the FAC. Therefore, Miklos Vasarhelyi has replaced Ron as the nominee for Vice Chair. A motion was made and seconded to elect by acclamation the following slate of officers:

Chair: Paul Tractenberg
Vice Chair: Miklos Vasarhelyi
Secretary: Raphael Caprio
FAC Cabinet: Ann Cali, Clement A. Price, Mary Ann Scoloveno

University Budget: The Provost reiterated the importance of the Faculty Advisory Council and its subcommittees in all planning matters for Rutgers-Newark. Of particular importance are 2 upcoming priority items, 1) the Middle States periodic report due in May, 1993, and 2) a 5-year University strategic plan to begin in 1995. He referred to the budget material sent to the FAC on July 16 and August 7 and stated that predictions for this coming fiscal year remain grim. The Provost emphasized the importance of encouraging faculty to seek grant awards.

Reports of Sub-Committees: Clem Price, Chair of the Subcommittee on R-N Involvement in the Development of the New Jersey Performing Arts Center in Newark, reported on exploring how Rutgers-Newark and the University may become more deeply involved in the development of the Center's programs and its relationship to the University. Professor Price asked the Council's advice on preparations for inviting Lawrence Goldman, President of the Center, and perhaps Philip Thomas, newly-appointed Director of Education for the Center, to meet with the Council. The subcommittee will prepare suggestions in preparation for a possible meeting with Mr. Goldman and the Council, or an expanded meeting including other segments of Rutgers-Newark community interested in exploring ways to be involved in the Center's activities.
Ray Caprio, Chair of the Computer Policy & Direction in Newark Sub-Committee, reported that the subcommittee will meet again after this FAC and report more fully at the next Council. During the discussion the Provost reported that the search for Vice President for Computing Services ended unsuccessfully; the searches for Vice President for Student Affairs and Vice President for Research also have ended unsuccessfully. It is anticipated that these searches will reopen in the Spring.

Miklos Vasarhelyi, Chair of Support Services at Rutgers-Newark Sub-Committee, reported that this subcommittee on physical support services met during the summer. The next meeting is planned for October 15, and Professor Vasarhelyi asked the FAC for suggestions of physical needs to be explored. Earl Shaw has volunteered to join this subcommittee.

Frank Jordan, Chair of Campus Mission and Academic Planning Sub-Committee, reported that this subcommittee will be very much involved with the Middle States periodic review due in May, 1993, and with Rutgers-Newark's involvement in the 5-year strategic University plan. Patricia Gartenberg has volunteered to join this subcommittee.

It was suggested that we clarify the definition of physical support services under the aegis of the Subcommittee on Support Services at Rutgers-Newark to include academic support services such as the T.V. & Radio Media Center.

FAC Schedule of Meetings for 1992/3: The following schedule of meetings was approved:

11:30 a.m., Monday, October 5 in the Provost's Conference Room
November 9
December 14

The Chair asked the Council for suggestions for agenda items and would appreciate members calling him or Sylvia Wolkstein. Dr. Vasarhelyi's suggestion re: management dysfunctionalities was noted.

Other Matters: Frank Jordan brought up the possibility of an amendment to the by-laws in which the outgoing Chair is asked to serve ex officio on the Executive Cabinet. Chairman Trachtenberg will ask Al Slocum to chair a subcommittee to review the by-laws.

The Council was pleased to welcome back Freda Adler after a lengthy illness. She thanked the Council for their many good wishes.

Meeting adjourned at 1:05 p.m.

Ray Caprio,
Secretary