NEWARK FACULTY COUNCIL
Monday, May 6, 1996; 11:30 a.m.
Provost's Conference Room

Present: Professors Adam, Bartkowski, Christian, Hart, Jeng, Laguna, Lalancette, Payne, Vasarhelyi, Whicker, Dr. Samuels, Dr. Caprio, Dr. Schnayer, Mr. Vincenti and Mrs. Wolkstein.

Absent: Professors Cantwell, DiTomaso, Finckenauër, Hollander, Norman, Peterman, Randall, Scoloveno, Segers, Slocum, Dr. Feder and Ms. Brooks.

Dr. Whicker, Chair, announced that the following have been elected by their faculties to serve for 3-year terms on the NFC:

FAS-N
Henry Christian
Asela Laguna
Jan Lewis (replaces Mary Segers)

FOM
Barbara Stern (replaces Nancy DiTomaso)

The Council members present agreed that current officers:
Marcia Whicker, Chair
Nabil Adam, Vice Chair
Ted Hollander, Secretary
serve this summer as the Nominating Committee to select a slate for the Vice Chair, Secretary, 3 members of the Executive Cabinet and Chairs of the Sub-Committees; this year’s Vice Chair, Nabil Adam, is Chair-Elect. The Chair, Vice Chair and Secretary shall also serve as Rutgers-Newark representatives to the President’s Faculty Advisory Council.

President’s Faculty Advisory Council: Marcia Whicker reported on the two meetings of the President's Council; the next meeting is scheduled for May 7, with the following agenda:

I Audited Financial Statements of $43million as Unrestricted-Undesignated
   Joe Whiteside

II Faculty Consultation: suggested concerns:
   Business School Merger, Market Study, RUJCS, Library Funding
   Joe Seneca - Christine Haska

III The Strategic Resources and Opportunities Analysis:
   Departmental Administrative Budget Concerns

IV Allocation of Resources Among Campuses

V Decentralization of University Operating Functions
Faculty Involvement in Budget Matters: Nabil Adam distributed the following:

Memo of 4/12/96 to Provost Samuels on anticipated budget cuts;
Memo of 4/29 to Nabil Adam from Provost Samuels on Faculty Council participation in budget cutting process;
Draft of motion on the state of computing on the Newark Campus.

Dr. Caprio provided some background on discussions with George Laskaris and Lanse Leach on computing on the Newark Campus and the critical need for substantive improvements. After further discussion, Council members present approved the motion as amended. Asela Laguna suggested that the Newark Faculty Council create a sub-committee on computing to study the situation and develop a proposal.

Invited Guests:
Linda J. Barone, Research Contract/Grant Associate in the Research Office in Blumenthal Hall, talked briefly about the work of the Grants Office and that she and her colleagues are here to help faculty/administrators search for information on funding sources and seeking grant support. Barbara Fiorella will be leaving as of July 1 for a position closer to her home in South Jersey.
Charline S. Russo, Director of Continuing Education, Distance Learning and Summer Sessions in Blumenthal Hall also urged Council members and their colleagues to seek her help for planning and implementing ideas they may have to further increase resources. She distributed "Distance Education...At A Glance."

Implementation on Improving Student Life Facilities & Innovative Academic Programs for R-N Undergraduates: The public's identity of Rutgers University was discussed as well as recruitment, marketing of Rutgers-Newark, and admissions. It was proposed that the Academic Affairs Sub-Committee be asked to study present endeavors and develop a proposal.

Marcia Whicker, Chair, was thanked for a job well done. She wished all a good summer. Meeting adjourned at 1:05 p.m.