Date: April 18, 2007

To: Faculty of Arts and Sciences-Newark

From: Jan Ellen Lewis
Acting Dean of Faculty

Re: Faculty Meeting

There will be a meeting of the Faculty of Arts and Sciences-Newark on Wednesday, April 25, 2007 at 2:30 p.m. in Room 220, Smith Hall.

The agenda will be as follows:

I. Approval of Minutes

II. Dean's Report

III. Committee Reports

   a. Committee on Governance, By-Laws and Nominations
   b. Courses of Study

IV. University Senate

V. New Business

VI. Old Business

*Faculty Minutes are now available on the FASN Dean's web-site:
http://honorsnewark.rutgers.edu/fasn/*
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To: Faculty of Arts and Sciences-Newark

From: Committee on Governance, By-Laws and Nominations

Re: Standing Committee Slate

The following nominations are presented to the faculty for consideration:

**Affirmative Action and Review**
Edward Boylan
Grace Spruch
Nancy Diaz (alternate)
Barbara Foley (alternate)

Mathematics and Computer Science 2008
Physics 2008
Classical & Modern Languages & Literatures 2008
English 2008

**Appointments and Promotions**

**Humanities:**
James Goodman
Rachel Hadas
Paul Sternberger

History 2008
English 2008
Visual and Performing Arts 2008

**Natural Sciences:**
Roger Lalande
Elena Galoppini
Jacob Sturm

Chemistry 2008
Chemistry 2008
Mathematics and Computer Science 2008

**Social Sciences:**
Brian Ferguson
Elizabeth Hull
Lillian Robbins

Sociology and Anthropology 2008
Political Science 2008
Psychology 2008
Courses of Study
Ken Kressel  Psychology  2010
John Sheridan  Chemistry  2010
Robert Steiglitz  Classical & Modern Languages & Literatures  2010

Faculty Secretary
Karen Caplan  History  2010

Library and Computer
Li Guo  Mathematics and Computer Sciences  2010
Heyward Ehrlich  English  2010

Newark Faculty Council
(Provost's Advisory Committee)
Gary Farney  History  2010
Margaret Shiffrar  Psychology  2010
Robert Snyder  Visual and Performing Arts  2010

Planning and Budget
Edward Bonder  Biological Sciences  2010
Charles Russell  English  2010

Scholastic Standing
Belinda Edmondson  English  2010
Jack Lynch  English  2010

Student Affairs, Admissions & Financial Aid
William Keigher  Mathematics and Computer Sciences  2010
Zhengyu Mao  Mathematics and Computer Sciences  2010

Teaching Effectiveness
Jonathan Adams  Biological Sciences  2010

University Senate
Edward Boylan  Mathematics and Computer Science  2010
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To: Faculty of Arts and Sciences-Newark

From: Committee on Governance, By-Laws and Nominations

Re: Proposal for FASN Campus Community Committee

The Committee on Governance, By-Laws and Nominations recommends the following new Standing Committee:

Section VIII-H FASN Campus Community Committee

1. Membership shall consist of five FASN faculty members, and two student representatives selected by the SGA, one representing NCAS, and the other representing UC. Each shall serve a two year term, and may be reelected.

2. This Committee shall identify areas of interests common to both the Newark campus, and the urban community in which it functions. Further, it shall seek to facilitate communication, consultation and dialogue between the community and FASN faculty who may have expertise in fields relevant to urban education, and/or related issues. It may submit reports and proposals for consideration by the faculty whenever the Committee may deem it appropriate to do so.
Date: April 16, 2007

To: Faculty of Arts and Sciences – Newark

From: Frances Bartkowski, Chair Courses of Study Committee

The committee recommends approval for the following course requests:

I. Biology

Title Change
From: 21.120:328 Ornithology (3 credits)
To: 21.120:328 Diversity and Ecology of Birds (3 credits)

New Course
21.120:365 Human Ecology (3 credits)

II. English

New Courses
21:350:347 The Trojan War from Classical Epic to 21st Century Novel (3 credits)
21:350:204 Writers at Newark Reading Series Colloquium (1 credit)

III. History

Course Number Change
From: 21&62:510:339 Study Abroad in Greece: Greek History (3 credits)
To: 21&62:510:299 Study Abroad in Greece: Greek History (3 credits)

From: 21&62:060:339 Study Abroad in Greece: Greek Art and Archaeology (3 credits)
To: 21&62:190:299 Study Abroad in Greece: Greek Art and Archaeology (3 credits)
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Present:

Excused:

Approval of Minutes

The Minutes of the December 4, 2006 meeting were approved as presented.

Dean’s Report

Dean Lewis began by informing the faculty of the recent developments in the FASN Dean Search. Dean Lewis noted that three candidates have been scheduled to visit and meet with the faculty, staff and students. In addition, the Dean encouraged the faculty to attend the open forums arranged for each candidate and suggested that all comments be forwarded to Janice Friedland in the Provost’s Office. All remarks will be submitted to the Dean Search Committee.

Dean Lewis also announced that the late Dorothy Cooper has left $8 million to Rutgers to support students in Psychology. Dean Lewis stated that the Psychology Department at the Newark campus's share of the endowment will be $800,000. The proceeds will be used for research internships. In addition, the New Brunswick and Camden campuses will also share in the bequest.

Dean Lewis spoke briefly about the state budget plan for FY 2007-2008. The Dean noted that President McCormick announced an increase in the Governor’s FY 2007-2008 proposal for funding of higher education. However, the Dean indicated that any increase in funding would most likely cover inflation and there would be complicated negotiations involving how much of the mandated salary increases are covered by the state.
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Dean Lewis concluded her report by calling on Professor John Graham and Professor Richard Langhome, Co-Chairs of the Future of Undergraduate Education Committee for their Committee’s report:

- FUE committee has met 5 times since December 2006 when it was first formed by Provost Diner.

- The Committee is composed of 6 Deans from the Newark colleges and 22 faculty, of which 15 are from FASN.

- At our first meeting in January, we heard from admissions director Jason Hand who gave us a profile of the types of students who attend Rutgers-Newark.

- We discussed some of the current problems with undergraduate education, including inadequate and inaccurate advising, rudeness on the part of staff towards students, and faculty complaints about the writing and quantitative skills of students.

- At our Feb 22nd meeting we focused on the lower-level (freshman, sophomore) general education requirements, in light of the new NJ transfer agreement which specifies that transfers to Rutgers who have an AA degree from a NJ county college will be treated as if their general education requirements are already completed.

- No specific decisions have been made about revising gen ed requirements and any changes to them will have to be approved by the Newark faculty. There is consensus that the current gen ed requirements are too complex and probably too extensive. In particular, the 15 credit restricted elective requirement is likely to be abolished.

- At our most recent meeting, we focused on upper-level (junior, senior) experiences.

- The committee is in favor of requiring students to have both a major and a second concentration. The second concentration could be a minor, a second major, a dual-degree program, or additional courses in the primary major;

- The committee has 5 more meetings scheduled into early May and a final report is expected soon thereafter.

Committee on Governance, By-Laws and Nominations

Professor Jonathan Luric, Chair of the Committee, reminded faculty to participate in the upcoming nomination procedure to fill vacancies on the FASN Standing Committees.
Courses of Study Committee

Professor Frances Bartkowski, Chair of the Committee, moved for the adoption of Section I, II, and III of the Committee’s March 9, 2007 report. Her motion was seconded and approved.

University Senate

Professor Edward Boylan, University Senate, reported Dr. Phil Furmanski and Provost Steven Diner both gave separate reports on various activities at the New Brunswick campus and Newark campus; the Senate will discuss at the next meeting the “phased retirement program”, an incentive for retirement. In addition, Professor Boylan informed faculty about the current issues regarding health benefits and pension plans.

Old Business

Provost Steven Diner continued brief discussions with faculty regarding the future of undergraduate education. In addition, the Provost addressed concerns regarding the Governor’s budget proposal for higher education:

- The Governor’s budget will include revenue for higher education.
- An increase of $18 million and annual salary increases.
- The budget would only cover normal inflationary cost; excluding salary increases for next year.
- No budget-cuts anticipated for next FY.
- State employees probably contributing 1½% of their salaries for healthcare; Legislature is now in discussions.
- Merger discussions regarding Rutgers/UMDNJ deferred for the next 12-18 months.

There was no New Business. The meeting adjourned at 3:57pm.

Respectfully submitted,

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Faculty Secretary
Date: March 9, 2007
To: Faculty of Arts and Sciences – Newark
From: Frances Bartkowski, Chair
Courses of Study Committee

The committee recommends approval for the following course requests:

I. Biology

Credit Change
From: 21:120:301 Foundations of Biology (4 credits)
To: 21:120:301 Foundations of Biology (3 credits)

New Course
21:120:302 Foundations of Biology (Lab) (1 credit)

II. Classical and Modern Languages and Literatures

New Courses
21&62:810:133, 134 Portuguese for Spanish Speakers (3, 3 credits)
21&62:810:349 Brazilian Film and Literature (3 credits)
21&62:615:325 Sociolinguistics (3 credits)
21&62:940:317 Journalism, Dramatic & Media Writing in Spanish (3 credits)
21&62:940:459 Internship in Spanish (3 credits)

III. Urban Education

New Course
21:300:410 Information & Communication Technology in Secondary Schools (3 credits)