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University Senate – P336 – X3459

MINUTES OF MEETING September 16, 2013

ATTENDANCE:

Presiding: Dr. Karen Morgan Ivy, President University Senate

DEPARTMENTS PRESENT: A. Harry Moore, Darlene Britt; Accounting, Robert Matthews; Alumni, Jane McClellan; Art, Brian Gustafson; Biology, Ethan Prosen; Chemistry, Robert Aslanian; Criminal Justice, Bill Calathes; Early Childhood Ed. Regina Adesanya; Economics, Ivan Steinberg; Educational Leadership & Counseling, Tracey Duncan; Educational Technology, Cordelia Twomey; Elementary/Secondary, John Bragg; English, Joshua Fausty; ESL, Anne Mabry; Finance, Rosalyn Overton; Fire Science, Kevin Malley; Fitness, Exercise and Sports, Quoc Tu; Geography/Geoscience, Janna Cieslik; Health Sciences, Lilliam Rosado; History, Rosamond Hooper-Hamersley; Library, Min Chou; Literacy Ed., Mary McGriff; Management, Wanda Rutledge; Mathematics, Freda Robbins; Media Arts, Kathryn D'Alessandro; Modern Languages, Cora Lagos; Dept. of Multicultural Ed., Donna Farina; Music, Dance & Theatre, Marc Dalio; Nursing, Gloria Boseman; Philosophy/Religion, Sabine Roehr; Physics, Chris Herbert; Political Science, Joseph Moskowitz; Sociology/Anthropology, Max Herman; Special Education, Carol Fleres; Women's & Gender Studies, Jacqueline Ellis.

DEPARTMENTS ABSENT: African/Afro American Studies, David Mulumba; Computer Science, Thomas Liu; Latin American Studies, Liza Fiol-Matta; Marketing, Susan Williams; Professional Security Studies, Bill Soo Hoo; Psychology, Patrice Dow-Nelson;

SENATORS-AT-LARGE PRESENT: Cindy Arrigo, Deborah Bennett, Michael Cole, John Collins, Christopher Cunningham, Jack Egan, Marilyn Ettinger, Audrey Fisch, Karen Ivy, Joseph Riotto, Rosemary Thurston, Rubina Vohra,

SENATORS-AT-LARGE ABSENT: None.

PROFESSIONAL STAFF SENATORS-AT-LARGE PRESENT: Angela Arriaza-Jarquin, Bette Goldstein, Cynthia Vazquez, Naomi Wright.

PROFESSIONAL STAFF SENATORS-AT-LARGE ABSENT:

STUDENT SENATORS PRESENT:

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STUDENT SENATORS-AT-LARGE ABSENT:

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University Senate Meeting #1, For AY 2013-2014
Monday, September 16, 2013, Gothic Lounge

The Senate President, Dr. Karen Morgan Ivy, called the meeting to order at 3:07 p.m.

A moment of silence was observed in the memory of the tragic passing of Ashley Sara Chieco, an outstanding graduate student in our psychology diploma program, on Friday, August 16th from injuries sustained in an automobile accident. Ashley was an NJCU alumna who earned an M.A. in Educational Psychology in May 2012.

Dr. Ivy also referred to an e-mail sent on Wednesday, August 21, 2013 NJCU staff distribution list on behalf of Dr. Henderson regarding the passing of our retired colleague Helen T. Webber on Thursday, August 19th. Helen retired as an associate professor of Sport and Leisure Studies in 2000, having served as a faculty member for over 33 years. She had been an active member of the College Senate, having served as a Senator, Senate Secretary, Vice Chair, and chair of the Academic Standards, Faculty Affairs, and Student Concerns Committees.

- I. Approval of agenda:** A motion was made, seconded and approved to move agenda item II (approval of Parliamentarian) first on the agenda.
- II. Approval of Parliamentarian:** Dr. Rosilyn Overton was nominated, seconded and unanimously approved as Parliamentarian. The agenda was then approved.
- III. Approval of Minutes:** A motion to accept the minutes of the May 6, 2013 Senate Meeting was made, seconded, and unanimously approved.
- IV. Announcements:** Dr. Ivy read the following announcements:
 - NJCU to inaugurate Dr. Sue Henderson: The inauguration will be merged with this year's convocation. The inauguration ceremony and celebration will begin at 9:30 a.m. on campus and continue with a community tour that will travel to the Jersey City waterfront for the launch of a series of free jazz concerts, "Six Decades of Jazz at NJCU," presented in honor of President Henderson at the J. Owen Grundy Pier at Exchange Place, 6:00 – 8:00 p.m. For more information please see the e-mails circulated on 15 May 2013 and bulletins around campus. You may also visit <http://web.njcu.edu/advancement/email/inauguration13.html>.
 - Scholarship opportunity: NJCU has teamed up with g-MEO (Global Maximum Educational Opportunities) to make two scholarships available specifically for students interested in studying in China during fall 2013. This academic program will run from September 3 to December 10 at the Chengdu American Center located on Sichuan University's Huaxi Campus. (For more information, please see the e-mail sent out on 4 June 2013 on behalf of Dr. Sue Henderson)

- Two NJCU Teams participated in the 2013 Northeast Summer Institute on Undergraduate Education in Biology, a five-day program presented by the Howard Hughes Medical Institute and the National Academics that will explore new models of instruction for the undergraduate classroom the Institute took place August 4 – August 9 at Stony Brook University. (For more information, please see the email sent out on 9 June 2013.)
- NJCU has partnered with the Collaborative on Academic Careers in Higher Education (COACHE) at Harvard University. Through administration of a survey in October, COACHE will assist us in understanding the practices related to satisfaction of our faculty and in making improvements in key areas such as nature of work, work-life balance, support, climate, recognition, collaboration, governance, mentoring, and engagement. (For more information, please see the email sent out on 23 July 2013 on behalf of Dr. Joanne Bruno.)
- The Black Administrators, Alumni, Faculty, Students, and Staff Organization (BAAFSSO) New Student, Faculty, and Staff Welcome will be held on Wednesday, 25 September 2013, from 12:00 pm – 2:00 pm on the first floor of the Michael B. Gilligan Student Union Building. For more information, please e-mail Ms. Leah Jackson at ljackson1@njcu.edu.
- Graduate Studies Open House will be held on Thursday, October 10th from 4:00 – 6:30 p.m. in GSUB. For more information, please call extension 2084.

Dr. Ivy announced congratulations and commendations to:

- Hope Gardens, an East Orange Hospital residential facility, has been dedicated in honor of Dr. Antoinette Ellis-Williams, director of the Lee Hagan Africana Studies Center and professor of Women's and Gender Studies and is former chair of the Hospital's Board of Trustees. (For more information, please see the email sent out on April 9, 2013.)
- Ashley Leavitt, a senior majoring in English has been granted a Fulbright U.S. Student Award for 2013-2014 to Turkey. (For more information, please see the email sent out on 13 May 2013.)
- Luke Visconti, CEO and founder of Diversity, Inc. Media LLC of Princeton, has been elected Chair of the Board of Directors of the New Jersey City University Foundation, Inc.
- Dr. Karen Morgan Ivy delivered the National Association of Mathematicians' prestigious David Blackwell Lecture at the 2013 Mathematical Association of America (MAA) MathFest, the largest annual summer gather of mathematicians from throughout the country. The MAA MathFest took place July 31 through August 3 at the Connecticut Convention Center in Hartford. Dr. Morgan Ivy spoke on "Bridging a Gap Between Creative Literacy and Quantitative Literacy: Using Poetry to Improve Quantitative Reasoning." (For more information, please see the email sent out on 26 June 2013.)

- NJCU has received a \$50,000 donation from the Provident Bank foundation, a gift that will be matched by the University's U.S. Department of Education Title V Grant, to establish a \$100,000 endowment for the University's second Provident Bank Foundation Endowed Scholarship Fund. (For more information, please see the email sent out on 31 July 2013.)

V. President's Report:

The University Senate Standing Committees have been asked to meet and elect a chairperson for AY 2013-2014. Those names will be identified when they are received in the Senate office. The Senate office is located in the Professional Studies Building, room 336, and the extension is 3459. Election results may also be emailed to Donna Piscopo dpiscopo@njcu.edu or the Senate senate@njcu.edu.

Maria Gomez, SGO President will be forwarding a list of names of students who will serve on the Senate Standing Committees. When those students have been identified, the Senate will officially appoint them.

It was brought to the attention of the Senate President and the Executive Committee that an oversight took place during the May reorganization meeting.

Dr. Ivan Steinberg was a member on the Senate Elections Committee with one year remaining to complete his term on the Committee. During the reorganization meeting, Dr. Steinberg was nominated from the floor of the Senate and elected to serve on the Senate's Planning, Development & Budget Committee. However, the Elections Committee and the Senate office did not receive a written resignation from Dr. Steinberg. Thus, it would be expected that Dr. Steinberg fulfill his commitment to complete his term on the Senate Elections Committee. These procedures were adopted and approved at the Senate meeting on 21 March 2011.

Dr. Steinberg, the Elections Committee, and the Planning, Development & Budget Committee were notified last week.

Vacancies on Senate Standing Committees: The Senate Executive Committee will appoint and seek Senate approval to fill vacancies on Senate Standing Committees. The Senate President has reached out to faculty and staff members to invite them to serve on Senate Standing Committees that have vacancies.

Academic Standards Committee: (vacancy by Dr. Jane Webber)

Dr. David Chiabi (CPS) accepted. This appointment is pending Senate approval at the next Senate meeting.

Planning, Development & Budget Committee: (vacancies by Dr. Deborah Freile and Dr. Ivan Steinberg)

Dr. Corey Frost (CAS) has accepted the nomination. This appointment is pending Senate approval at the next Senate meeting. There remains one vacancy.

Student Affairs Committee: (vacancy by Dr. Cheryl Swider)

Dr. Joyce Wright (CPS) has accepted the nomination. This appointment is pending Senate approval at the next Senate meeting.

Anyone interested in serving on Senate Standing Committees should contact Donna Piscopo with your name and contact information.

All standing committee reports need to be processed through the University Senate Executive Committee before they can be presented to the main Senate floor. The Executive Committee will meet one week prior to the University Senate Meeting. Therefore, any standing committee reports that need to be presented to the main University Senate body need to be submitted to the Executive Committee the Monday prior to the scheduled University Senate meetings:

Monday, 14 October 2013; Monday, 2 December 2013; Monday, 10 February 2014; Monday, 3 March 2014; Monday, 7 April 2014; Monday, 5 May 2014

VI. Remarks, Campus Updates and Introduction of New Hires: Dr. Sue Henderson, NJCU President

Dr. Henderson presented remarks and campus updates that normally would have been given at the All University Meeting. The All University meeting was combined with the first Senate meeting because of the September 20th convocation and inauguration and accompanying events which were to take place at the end of the week. Dr. Henderson presented highlights of our accomplishments and briefly reviewed the most pressing issues in the higher education landscape. Included were remarks on the FY 2014 budget, Fall 2013 enrollment figures, capital projects, and a discussion of the Institutional Effectiveness Progress Card, which measures the effectiveness of NJCU from year to year. Changes in the outlook for higher education were also cited. The complete presentation has been posted on the NJCU website at http://www.njcu.edu/uploadedFiles/About_NJCU/Office_of_the_President/Speeches/All-Campus-Meeting-Fall-2013-Final.pdf.

Dr. Henderson introduced Mr. Hunt Bartine, the new Associate Vice President of Human Resources.

Dr. Jo Bruno, VP of Academic Affairs, introduced the following newly hired faculty:

College of Arts and Sciences:

Ms. Janet Pihlblad (Assistant Professor, Art)

Dr. Reed Carroll (Associate Professor, Biology)

Dr. Natalia Coleman (Assistant Professor, Biology)

Dr. Bumjung Kim (Assistant Professor, Chemistry)

Dr. Sonya A. Donaldson (Assistant Professor, English/World Lit)

Dr. Karen Weiser (Assistant Professor, English/American Lit)

Dr. Anna Cieslik (Assistant Professor, Geoscience/Geography & Ethnic & Immigration)

Dr. Wayne Eby (Assistant Professor, Mathematics)

Ms. Joyce Monroe (Instructor, Modern Languages)

Ms. Dana M. Trusso (Instructor, Philosophy & Religion)

Dr. Karen DeSoto (Assistant Professor, Political Science)

College of Education:

Dr. Jenifer Hartman (Assistant Professor, Educational Leadership)

Ms. Marcela Kepicova (Instructor, Counseling)

Dr. Christopher D. Carnahan (Assistant Professor, Educational Technology)

Dr. Vanashri Nargund-Joshi (Assistant Professor, Elementary/Secondary Education)

Dr. Michelle L. Rosen (Assistant Professor, Literacy Education)

College of Professional Studies:

Dr. Aaron Ho (Assistant Professor, Criminal Justice)

Dr. Barbara Blozen (Associate Professor, Nursing)

Dr. Christine Okpomesine (Assistant Professor)

Dr. Ockjae (Esther) Park (Assistant Professor, Nursing)

School of Business:

Dr. John Donnellan (Assistant Professor, Management)

Dr. Melanie McDonald (Associate Professor, Management)

Ms. Melissa Martirano (Instructor, Marketing)

A. Harry Moore

Ms. Jannika Hantho (Demonstration Specialist, Occupational Therapist)

Ms. Kirsten Kotraba (Demonstration Specialist, Occupational Therapist)

Dr. Bruno also announced the following new professional and support staff:

Mr. John Di Santo (Clerk, Music, Dance and Theatre)

Ms. Gehan Veronica Abreu (OSP Counselor)

Ms. Farah Pelissier (OSP Counselor)

Ms. Beatrice Keseru (Program Assistant, Health Sciences)

Ms. Lakeesha Conyers (Clerk Typist, Nursing)

Ms. Aparna Saini (OGSP/University Advisement Center, On-site Transfer Counselor)

Ms. Lisa Aliche (Youth Corps, Professional Services Specialist 4)

Other announcements included:

- There will be an awards ceremony in December for faculty and staff.
- Town hall meetings will be scheduled to review the results of the survey of faculty and staff.

- An electronic newsletter will be sent out every week with listing of events and announcements, in lieu of the individual emails.

VII. Old Business

General Education Program Proposal: A progress report was given by Dr. Fran Moran who summarized the changes made to the proposal as a result of town hall feedback and meetings with faculty held in June 2013. The revised proposal with a summary of the changes was distributed to the Senate by Donna Piscopo on behalf of Dr. Ivy on September 11, 2013. Dr. Moran requested that senators share the revised proposal with their constituents, and that a vote on the proposal be conducted at the October Senate meeting. It was agreed that discussion would be allowed prior to the vote, and that Dr. Moran will relay any amendments made to the proposal in advance of the meeting.

VIII. New Business

Dr. Gloria Boseman presented a motion that the record reflects the historic occasion of Dr. Karen Morgan Ivy as the first African American/African American Woman to preside over the New Jersey City University for the 2013-2014 academic year, and do so with confidence in her capable leadership and pride in the University affirmation of power in diversity. The motion was seconded and unanimously approved.

A concern was raised that contrary to procedure followed in previous Senate meetings, green placards which identified voting Senators were not distributed. It was agreed that voice votes would first be held, and a way of identifying Senators when a physical count was needed will be implemented.

Dr. Henderson noted that other Vice Presidents also had newly hired staff to introduce, and would do so at the next Senate meeting.

The meeting was adjourned at 4:21 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,
Bette Goldstein