

THE UNIVERSITY SENATE of Montclair State University

Montclair, NJ 07043

The November 16, 2011 meeting of the University Senate was called to order at 3:10 by Senate President Sandra Collins. rad TDC1drard(v)7-4(t)gaetrK-1(t(ng)64(t)h4(t)y12(rSt(ng)6(Sa-4(raw C)4(o)k C)(s)-3 Gardin, Gaynor, Gill, Gingerich, Kelshaw, Lakusta, Lemesianou, Lin, Meneghin, Mengo, Morrissey(Montesino), Nurse, Oluwole, Poon, Powell, Rodak, Sadowsky, Specchio, Sullivan, Topic, Wolfson, and Yu

- II. Approval of October 26, 2011 Minutes – approved
- III. Good News/Announcements
 - a. The second cross-disciplinary luncheon was a success. Deborah Ragin presented to the faculty from multiple departments on “The politics of health: Hidden factors that affect your well-being.” Three luncheons are scheduled for the spring, and we hope to have speakers from CSAM, SBUS, and CART.
 - b. Senate e-board members attended the new faculty orientation. Faculty raised concerns including the level of responsiveness of IT staff to faculty requesting start-up equipment, requesting a mentor assigned from faculty member’s own department, needing to purchase start-up equipment with personal credit card and then be reimbursed, the lack of copiers with scanning capability, and the availability of smart classrooms. Carol Nurse confirmed that the library receives requests from faculty to use their smart classrooms which are for library use.
- IV. Elections Committee Report
 - a. The committee will present to the Senate Lakusta, Lemesianou, Lin, Nurse, Pardo, Topic, Wilson.
 - b. Dr. Collins asked for approval of Dr. Domenica Desiderio on the University Undergraduate Curriculum Committee for Spring 2013. This request was approved. Another representative

- c. The University Strategic Plan was presented to and approved by the board.
- d. Various contracts were awarded and personnel actions were approved, including designating Professor Emeritus status to Professors Joseph Attanasio and Mark Friedman of CHSS.
- e. Union President Richard Wolfson presented his concerns that he was not able to view the strategic plan or audit report prior to the meeting to inform his comments on them. Rather than speaking for or against a motion, he asked for a systematic review of senior administrators. He believes they would do well in such a review, but it would be a good strategy for the future as well. He has since received a copy of the strategic plan, but not the audit. He also stated that there was another BOT meeting on November 16 where the board approved contracts for a new he0(r)1a10()10(a)JJ-0k

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