Faculty Meeting Minutes
October 17, 2007

I. Convening of the Meeting
Professor Anthony Rosato
The meeting was convened at 2:40 p.m.

II. Approval of the Minutes
The minutes of May 2, 2007 were approved by a voice vote.

III. Report from the President
President Robert Altenkirch

The President presented a plan for the present and the future entitled “This Year and Beyond.” It focused on five areas, Quality of Life on Campus, Private Source Revenue, Development of the Core of Nationally Recognized Programs, The Improvement of Research and Intellectual Property Productivity and the Recruitment of High Achieving Students from Diverse Backgrounds. A series of slides presented are included in the Appendix.

III. Report from the VP for Academic & Student Services/Dean of the Albert Dorman College
Dr. Joel Bloom

Enrollment for the Fall 2007 was 8276 (Headcount) compared to 8209 for the same period last year. This breaks out to 65% of enrollment as undergraduate and 35% of graduates. There was an increase of 281 students in our Retention category. While there are 43 fewer first time full time freshman this September (compared to last year), our SAT scores increased 28 points to an average of 1138. We have 140 less graduate students this year, along with an increase of 225 transfer students. Our goal for the Fall 2012 is 10,000 total students. Our Ph.D. students increased for the first time in three years.

V. Report from the Provost
Provost Priscilla Nelson

The Provost focused on Academic Focus Areas including Design and Building Biology and Health, and Business, Computing and Information. She outlined the new Academic Programs planned for NJIT and the Program Approval Scheduling. The slides utilized in the Presentation are included in the Appendix.

VI. Faculty Council
Professor Anthony Rosato

Professor Rosato presented the items under consideration by the Council which included Research Administration Faculty, Council Website, Graduates Faculty, Student Course
Evaluations on Line, Governance of Interdisciplinary Programs, Professor of Practice Category, Emeritus Policy, and Continuation of the Reorganization of the Handbook.

A motion to approve the Reformatted Faculty Handbook was approved by a voice vote. A motion to write a letter to the Board of Trustees to initiate formal meetings with the Board of Trustees and the Council was approved by a voice vote. Slides of the presentation are presented in the Appendix.

IX. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 4:00 p.m.

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Dr. Harold Deutschman