

New Jersey Institute of Technology

Minutes ~ Administrative Affairs Council

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The meeting was called to order by Dr. Robert A. Altenkirch, chair, at 10:07 AM. Other members in attendance were: W. Anderson, B. Antes, P. Beltran, E. Bishof, D. Blackmore, T. Blake, B. Boynton, S. Branson (for D. Ahluwalia), F. Deek, E. Deess, J. Gentul, R. Gjini, H. Gopal, D. Hawk, T. Howell, R. Hughey, T. Johnson, R. Kane, L. Kaplan, H. Kimmel, D. Knox, J. Llewellyn, G. Mass, H. Mauermeyer, P. Nelson, D. Reibstein, W. Reynolds, J. Rhodes, H. Ross, N. Rubio, E. Ruiz, D. Sebastian, J. Sheft, G. Spak, N. Steffen, H. Stern, R. Sweeney, J. Tartaglia, P. Teklinski, J. Thompson, N. Tworischuk, and D. Ullman

Dr. Altenkirch welcomed everyone back for the New Year and started the meeting by asking for approval of the minutes from the December 5 meeting. The minutes were approved by all present.

Dr. Altenkirch discussed the budget document and said that it has been submitted to OMB.

Dr. Altenkirch discussed the recent news article on stem cell research, and noted that the Bill for \$150 Million passed the Senate but not the Assembly.

Dr. Altenkirch discussed the recent purchase of the Warren Street Pizza property, and that the tenants are in the process of vacating. He also stated that within the past six months, there have been some discussions to relocate the Greek Sorority to a potential Greek Village, and that he is looking to resurrect those discussions.

Dr. Altenkirch stated that Don Sebastian will discuss the FY06 Congressional Projects in more details, and that of the \$26 million requested, we will receive about \$11 million.

Don Sebastian discussed projects from the Research and Development Office. He stated that institutional monies obtained are hard earned, and universities are not usually regarded as top priorities on the congressional lists.

Don discussed FY 06 Federal Appropriations and the various project funding such as those with the Department of Defense, Transportation, and the Department of Justice. He discussed State Initiatives like the Homeland Security Systems Center.

Don went on to discuss FY 07 new program requests, e.g., Big Bear space weather, Stem Cell Research, Homeland Security, and development of Chemical Biomass.

Don gave a progress report on the NSF award in Pharmaceutical Engineering Research, and NSF's major Research Implementation Program and says that we received two awards last year and one the previous year. He also discussed Wireless Communications Research.

Dr. Altenkirch opened the floor for comments, and Priscilla Nelson commented that she and Don are available to assist with anyone working on career proposals, and they all are encouraged to come forward with ideas.

Dr. Altenkirch stated that in order to maintain and grow, we need a broad base of support, and that Don and Priscilla's office can help to move things thru the system, but not much to get funded. He stated that it is necessary that we maintain a good balance.

The meeting was adjourned.