

Minutes of the Faculty Senate Meeting
24 September 2024
Agile Strategy Lab (CKB L70), 11:30 AM–1:30 PM

1. Convening of the Meeting – Andrzej Zarzycki

Voting Members Present: A. Gerbessiotis, A. Abdi, A. Eun Jung Lee, A. Lefkovitz, A. Gerrard, A. Zarzycki, A. Borgaonkar, B. Khusid, C. Mcrae, D. Bunker, D. Horntrop, E. Farinas, E. Thomas, F. Deek, H. Grebel, I. Gatley, I. Neamtiu, J. Lee, M. Booty, N. Steffen Fluhr, P. Armenante, R. Assaad, S. Adamovich, S. Subramanian, Y. Perl, ES Lee, A. Uddin, P. Armenante

Non-Voting Member: J. Pelesko, K. Belfield, A. Hoang, J. Sodhi, M. Stanko, T. Adams, S. Ziavras

Approval of Minutes of the Faculty Senate meeting on 24 September 2024

1. Points raised during the AARC meeting
 - a) Teaching Faculty Ranks Proposal
 - b) Needs Analysis-Sensor Deployment concerns
 - c) Need to develop a process with faculty and staff input
 - d) Continued parking issues and their impact on academics (faculty and students)
 - e) Acceleration in faculty hiring and to develop retention strategies, high attrition of new faculty – increase higher rate to offset
2. Focus Group–Campus-wide space needs analysis (email from Todd Miller shared by Dan Bunker)
3. A need for more structured FS debates with formalized output that can be shared with the Institute Faculty.
4. Report of the Provost, John Pelesko, (10 minutes)
 - I. Updates & Heads Up
 - II. Faculty Hiring
 - III. Sabbatical for Lecturers
 - IV. Encourage faculty to contact Wunmi with any questions or concerns
 - V. Launching Edwin Hou’s position soon
5. Teaching Faculty Rank (TFR) Discussion
 - a) Feedback on the Teaching Faculty Rank Survey (Piero/Dan 15 minutes)
 - b) Q & A Session regarding the survey
 - c) “What the History of Shared Governance at NJIT Can Teach Us About the Introduction of Teaching Faculty”, Ian Gatley (15 minutes)
 - d) General Discussion regarding TFR (15 minutes)
6. CGE Approved Program Changes for (1) MS in Data Science – Computational Track and (2) MS in Management, Sotirios Ziavras
 - a) Motions Passed
7. Concerns with Needs Analysis–Sensor Deployment, Haim Grebel, ECE/NCE (10 Minutes)
 - a) Concerns were addressed, and discussion took place afterward
 - b) The motion “The motion was to suspend the sensors’ study, remove the equipment, and discard the data collected” was proposed by Prof. Perl. The motion passed with none opposed, one abstention, and the remaining members in favor.

8. No new business.