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- 4 PRESENT: Bareford, Bhat, Bolyai, Chen (for Maheshwari), Chesney, Ciliberti, Cleary (for Boroznoff),
- 5 Coomes, Dorai (for Haroian), Duffy, Dye, Edelstein, Garcia, Goldstein, Hayden, Hirstein, Kim, Kim-Yoon,
- 6 Lisbe (for Grodner), Mahon (for Tardi), McCallum, Murphy, Mwaura, Nack, Ndjatou, Overdorf, Parker, Pope,
- 7 Sesay, Scala, Schubert, Wagner, Weidenaar, Weltman, Wolf
- 8 ABSENT: McClean, Morganstern, Din, Swanson, Vardiman
- 9 GUESTS: C. Croce, R. DeLuca, T. Fanning, J. Gazdag, P. Martinez, P. Stein, M. Wahrman, M. Williams,
- 10 **PRELIMINARIES**: The Senate was called to order by Overdorf at 12:36 p.m. The agenda (moved and
- seconded by Edelstein and Kim) was accepted unanimously. The minutes of the 2/9/99 Senate meeting were
- revised thusly: the statement "...make it clear that a 2.0 is a minimum acceptable grade point average" will be
  - changed to "...make it clear that a 2.0 is a minimum **cumulative** acceptable grade point average" and the
  - statement "...dismissal after two consecutive semesters of work below the 2.0 GPA standard." will be changed
  - to "...dismissal after two consecutive semesters of work below the 2.0 cumulative GPA standard." Minutes
  - were also amended to reflect that Nack was present at the 2/9/99 Senate meeting. The revised minutes (moved
  - and seconded by Ciliberti and Pope) were accepted unanimously.
- 18 **CHAIRPERSON'S REPORT**: Overdorf announced that Bob Kloss will present a report of the Faculty Senate
- 19 Assessment Committee at the March 16, 1999 meeting and reminded everyone to bring the previously
  - distributed copy of this report to this meeting. Overdorf thanked all for the success of the February 18, 1999
- 21 forum: "Classroom Expectations: Revitalizing our Academic Environment." She reported that she had received
  - positive feedback and believed it to be a productive activity. She particularly thanked Dona Fountakidis and
- 23 Isobel Tirado for their leadership and all facilitators for their help. The next forum will be held March 25, 1999
- 24 and suggestions for topics and /or themes should be sent to Overdorf or Kloss. Overdorf announced that the
- University Vision Statement is on the agenda of the Board of Trustees May, 1999 meeting. She also announced
- 26 that the Governance Statement will be an April Senate agenda item. "Shared Governance in the New
- 27 Millennium" is the title of the Statewide Senate conference to be held here on April 9, 1999. The conference
- program was distributed. Vice-Chair Garcia is taking reservations from local faculty who wish to attend. Space
- 29 is limited. Questions about the conference should be directed to Overdorf or Ciliberti. There will be an All-
- 30 Senate reception on April 15, 1999 at Hobart Manor. The Provost is providing this event in honor of the work of
  - the Senate and its Councils and Committees. The reception will be from 3-5 p.m. with refreshments, music and
- 32 entertainment provided.
- 33 VICE-CHAIR'S REPORT: Garcia announced the February 25, 1999 meeting with the Chairs of Senate
- Councils. Ciliberti announced forthcoming elections for new Senate members, a letter to go out March 1. As the
- 35 General Education Committee is no longer elected in this manner, this round of nominations and election will
- be for Senate vacancies only. Departments due to elect Senators are: Art, Chemistry & Physics, Computer
- 37 Science, Exercise & Movement Science, Mathematics, Nursing, Economics & Finance, Marketing &
- Management, AACS, Anthropology, English, Philosophy, and Political Science. Four at-large seats will be
  - open, along with one Library and on Professional Staff seat. First round nominations are due at noon on March
- 40 17 to A. Ciliberti. Second round nominations will close April 1. A final slate of candidates will circulate on
- 41 April 14.
- 42 FALL SEMESTER 1999 CALENDAR: Dye and Overdorf met to revise the Fall 1999 Senate meeting
- schedule. Shifts in the meetings in the meetings for September and December were made. The revised calendar
- was distributed. It was moved and seconded by Wagner and Nack to accept, the motion passed unanimously.
- 45 **GRADUATE COUNCIL REPORT**: R. DeLuca distributed a summary of the work of the Task Force on
- Graduate Education. Noted were twelve areas of recommendation. Six items (see Senate Web Page

http://www.wpunj.edu/senate for text) have been accepted and implemented by the Provost. Four items were returned for further study. The creation of a centralized Graduate Administration was not accepted in favor of administration of programs within their respective departments. The appointment of Nina Jemmott as Associate Provost for Graduate Education was implemented by the Provost's office. The issue of standards and requirements for faculty teaching in graduate programs was discussed. DeLuca reported that the Provost did not incline towards restricting graduate teaching only to full-time faculty members. It was suggested that there be further discussion of this by the Senate. DeLuca pointed out that the individual departments will retain

admissions and curricular control over the graduate programs. The report was accepted unanimously.

PROACTIVE RECRUITMENT: Edelstein discussed efforts of himself and the History department to actively recruit high quality students. He distribute a sample of a letter sent from the History department to a newly accepted student that highlights the excellence of the faculty, the pedagogy and the resources of the University. He distributed a copy of the Fulbright Scholars advertisement and encouraged such promotions of faculty excellence to continue. Edelstein distributed a copy of a note from a prospective student's mother that praised the department's efforts to attract quality students. Edelstein regularly brings small groups onto campus, lets them attend a class session, tour the facilities, have lunch, and see what the campus has to offer. He encouraged other departments to adopt this proactive approach. Goldstein questioned Edelstein's approach. Overdorf added that suggestions for such proactive strategies would be welcome. McCallum mentioned the fact that some students had not even read the letter notifying them of the award of a scholarship.

**UPDATE ON MASTER PLAN**: S. Bolyai distributed a copy of the draft William Paterson Facilities Master Plan 1999 and announced that an all-campus presentation and forum will be held on Wednesday, February 24 from 9 a.m. - noon in the Student Center Ballroom for further discussion of this material. His presentation focused on the wide "development process" illustrating this with campus maps outlining additions since 1990. He introduced the idea of "zoning" as it would apply to the university: academic, residential, and student service "quadrangles"; and how these could be enhanced. He outlined several priorities: new academic space - the creation of a new building to house the College of Business will ease the classroom shortage and the crowding of Raubinger Hall. Potential locations for such a building were discussed, such as opposite the Science Building on the site of the existing faculty parking space. Increased parking facilities would necessarily have to be created in support of any large new construction. More recreation space - as we build new residence halls an expansion of the Rec Center facilities will be necessary to include a new pool, more practice and locker space. Student Center upgrade - as more students become residents there will be a need for more foodservice, offices, meeting rooms and other student activity facilities. The area between the Student Center and Wayne Hall is being considered for such development. Approaches to the University - some form of "monumental entrance" at one or more gates will give a feeling of character to the campus. Funds are being allocated for the design and construction of this. Bolyai said that among the goals was to provide space for 3000 campus residents. Rerouting College Road along the north side of the University Property would create more space for residence halls and other development. Nack praised those involved in planning for focusing on increasing classroom space. He voiced concerns over the shortage of parking generally, and faculty parking, specifically during evening hours. Wolf encouraged increasing amounts of disabled parking space. Dye questioned the use of previous builders in light of the deficits in the Atrium building construction. Bolyai said that a variety of different architects and builders are being considered for future projects. Parker, Lisbe, Edelstein, Dorai, McCallum and Schubert all provided comments. Bolyai introduced Marco Fernandez-Obregon, a new Director of Facilities Management/Utilities.

- **ADJOURNMENT:** At 1:51 p.m., moved and seconded by Ciliberti and Wagner, the Faculty Senate adjourned. The next meeting will be held Tuesday, March 16 in Student Center 203-5
- 91 Respectfully submitted,
- 92 Kurt W. Wagner Secretary

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