

RESOLUTION OF THE GOVERNANCE COUNCIL

EMERITUS STATUS FOR MELVIN EDELSTEIN

Whereas, Professor Melvin Edelstein retired from William Paterson University in June of 2007 after completing thirty-four years of teaching at the University,

And, whereas, Melvin Edelstein was a stimulating and exacting lecturer, teaching a panoply of courses from advanced graduate seminars to GE requirements to Freshman Seminar,

And, whereas, Melvin Edelstein was instrumental in focusing campus attention on the need for reform of the General Education program,

And, whereas, Melvin Edelstein was an internationally-renowned scholar of electoral politics during the French Revolution, authoring over thirty monographs and articles in the area, and serving as a member of several French scholarly societies,

And, whereas, Melvin Edelstein won many honors and grants for scholarship, including a Fulbright Fellowship and several American Philosophical Society grants,

And, whereas, Melvin Edelstein served in numerous leadership positions on campus, from Chair of the Marketing Committee to two-time Chair of the Faculty Senate,

And, whereas, Melvin Edelstein acted as William Paterson University's self-appointed gadfly,

And, whereas, the History Department unanimously nominated Melvin Edelstein for Emeritus Status at its November 1, 2007 departmental meeting,

Therefore, be it resolved, that the Faculty Senate recommends that Professor Melvin Edelstein be awarded Emeritus Status, with all the rights and perquisites thereunto pertaining.

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