

Snap shots from the Faculty Fall Celebration

held on October 27th in the faculty lounge. The Faculty Organization thanks Debbie Jacoby for making this happen- she is pictured below with the table setting before the party started. Our next social will be during the holiday season in December. Join us then!



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Restructuring UMDNJ

As the school waits to learn about part II of the Governor's UMDNJ Advisory Committee's report, which will presumably deal with the schools in northern New Jersey, there have been various activities which faculty may find of interest.

A two part series in NJSPOTLIGHT written by a labor studies teacher at Rutgers, which discusses some of the politics involved in the potential restructuring. For the articles go to the following websites:

<http://www.njspotlight.com/stories/11/1027/0017/>

<http://www.njspotlight.com/stories/11/1027/2037/>

A Star-Ledger article about the hearing held on UMDNJ restructuring in Newark before the Governor's Advisory Committee on October 13th. The article quotes Faculty Organization President Ellen Townes-Anderson who presented comments from the Faculty Organization Officers. For the article go to:

http://www.nj.com/news/index.ssf/2011/10/umdnj_merger.html

For a copy of the comments in full go to the Faculty Organization Website:

http://njms.umdni.edu/faculty_org/index.cfm

The new Faculty Senate has been working on a letter to go to the Governor's Advisory Committee on the Senators. The letter will be sent on Friday and officers of the senate will meet with the Advisory Committee next Tuesday. The letter will be posted on the Faculty Organization website once it is sent:

http://njms.umdni.edu/faculty_org/index.cfm

**Next
Faculty Organization Meeting**

Thursday, Nov. 17

3 p.m.

MSB C-601 (Faculty Lounge)

A joint meeting of AAUP and the Faculty Organization to be held Nov. 15th at 1PM in MSB B-610 to discuss topics such as:

1. Will restructuring impact faculty tenure?
2. Will existing term contracts and promises made in these contracts be honored?
3. Will years of service carry over (as they impact on retiree health benefit eligibility)?
4. Will the existing shared governance structure be maintained (school by-laws)?
5. Will the new entity (i.e. Rutgers) take on UMDNJ's liabilities?

CORRECTION

In the last Faculty Life issue there was an article on tenure, which incorrectly stated that tenure is granted only once a year. Actually "Tenure may be granted when merited upon or at any time following appointment or promotion to the rank of associate professor or professor." Pg 14 NJMS By-laws.

However, promotion occurs only once a year. Promotions follow the procedures for initial appointment. "Academic appointments shall be based on the academic year which shall commence July 1 of each calendar year." Pg 8 NJMS By-laws

Apologies for the confusion!

Comments on the new Shuttle Route and Schedule?

The changes are currently being reviewed by Logistical Services. If you want improvements send your comments to Debbie Jacoby at jacobydb@umdni.edu.