# Graduate Faculty Council

## MINUTES

December 13, 1995 United Nations Room 3:00 P. M.

- 1. The meeting was called to order at 3:10 P.M. Associate Dean James Henkel presided.
- 2. It was moved (R. Coons), seconded (D. Camaione), and passed without dissent on a voice vote to approve as distributed the minutes of the September 27, 1995 meeting.
- 3. J. Henkel spoke briefly about the recently-published report of the National Research Council (NRC) on ratings of doctoral programs. The Office of the Dean of the Graduate School is doing an in-depth analysis of the ratings and a detailed presentation on the NRC data will be given at the January 1996 GFC meeting.
- 4. J. Henkel introduced Fred Maryanski, Associate Provost; John Maloney, Associate Vice President for Financial Planning; and Bruce DeTora, Budget Director. They were present to discuss the University's operating budget. F. Maryanski noted that deficits will be unavoidable this fiscal year and next. Steps must be taken to address the situation. The administration has developed a preliminary plan to bring the budget into balance by 1999. Copies of the preliminary plan were distributed.

Key elements of the preliminary plan include increasing the number of students by approximately 10 percent without impacting basic admissions criteria, reducing the overall number of positions by as many as 205 (by 1999), and maximizing revenues generated by Institutional Advancement and by Extended and Continuing Education. Positions have been prioritized for reduction, with instruction and library services having the lowest priority for reduction and academic and institutional support having the highest priority for reduction. It was noted that increasing the number of students while decreasing the number of faculty may well result in increased class size and reduction in student choices and options.

Maintenance of existing and especially new facilities was discussed. By the end of *UConn 2000* in 2005, it is estimated costs related to the operation and maintenance of the **new** facilities that will be brought on line will be \$11.6 million. An element of the plan is to charge students a new Infrastructure Maintenance Fee of \$125 per semester.

Other pressing budgetary considerations were discussed, including: the new Stamford campus, the relocation of the Hartford campus, gender equity in athletics, and possible State recision in the future.

Messrs. Maryanski, Maloney, and DeTora responded to questions from the floor.

5. Adjournment was at 5:05 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Thomas B. Peters Secretary

### PRESENT

### Councilors

G. Anderson	D. Dey	J. R. Knox	R. Shaw
T. Blank	J. M. Edwards (alt)	M. Lerman	W. Smith
W. F. Bohlen	G. English	V. Makowsky	B. Suess
C. Bruckerhoff	R. Growney	R. Miller	J. Tanzer (alt)
D. Camaione	E. J. Gubbins	E. Pinner	C.A. vanLear
O. Church	A. Hild	P. Roberts	M. Wilbur
R. Coons	A. Hiskes	N. Rodriguez	T. Yang
D. Cooper	R. Hiskes	5	J

Sent Regrets: H. Mark, E. Murtha-Smith, M. Proser, P. Rosenberg, C. Sirmans

### Graduate School

T. Giolas

J. Henkel

E. Sellers

T. Peters

#### Guests

F. Maryanski

J. Malloney

B. DeTora