SUMMARY OF THE FACULTY SENATORS COUNCIL MEETING OF SEPTEMBER 15, 2011

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- **Administrative Liaisons**
  - Magder stated the EC is working with the administration to identify liaisons from the relevant administrative offices to work with the Committee Chairs this year.

- **New University-wide Policy on Academic Integrity for Students**
  - The Provost released the new policy in August 2011: [www.nyu.edu/about/policies-guidelines-compliance/policies-and-guidelines/academic-integrity-for-students-at-nyu.html](http://www.nyu.edu/about/policies-guidelines-compliance/policies-and-guidelines/academic-integrity-for-students-at-nyu.html)

- **Personnel and Affirmative Action Committee Agenda Items**
  - Senator Nolan stated the Committee will review the reports concerning the number of non-tenure track faculty (NTTF) and tenure track faculty (TTF) and will discuss their representation in governance.
  - The Committee also is reviewing the draft of the document: NYU Washington Square Policy for Postdoctoral Appointments.

- **ISAW and IFA Tenure and Promotion Guidelines**
  - Recommendations were made to these documents in May 2011, including recommendations regarding members of the tenure review committee and balloting procedures. The Provost responded and did not incorporate these recommendations into the final document. If the Committee requests further reasoned justifications the EC will discuss at the next meeting with the Provost.

- **Governance Committee Agenda Items**
  - Senator Harrington reported the Committee is reviewing the guidelines for reorganization and closure of departments and programs, researching a question regarding the Senator-at-Large membership, and examining a way for grievance issues other than tenure to be brought to the administration.

- **NYU 2031**
  - Alternate Senator Carol Reiss is the Chair of the new FSC 2031 Committee and will work with the Housing Committee and Lynne Brown (Senior VP for University Relations & Public Affairs) and Alicia Hurley (Vice President for Govt Affairs & Community Engagement) to involve faculty in the discussions. Senator Reiss stated the Committee plans to host open forums in the spring about these issues.

- **Benefits**
  - Senator Jones reported on the new benefits that came from the Committee’s work with HR. There is a new retiree dental plan and retirees will get more information this fall. Also, after advocating for retirees to have access to wellness programs, flu shots will now be offered to retirees and one family member. Jones stated that she recently learned that NYU does provide funding for hearing aids: up to $5,000 lifetime benefit.

- **Global Network University Initiative**
  - Senator Hammack stated the Committee will again meet with members of the administration involved in portal campuses. He also mentioned the new initiative in Spain. The regional government of Madrid offered NYU the use of a palace on the outskirts of Madrid which has the capacity to house students and teaching, etc. facilities. No decision has been made on its status as a study abroad site, portal campus, etc.

- **Non-tenure track faculty (NTTF) Representation**
  - Chairperson Magder presented the figures received from the administration on the numbers of non-tenure track faculty (NTTF) and tenure track faculty (TTF) by school by year since 2000-2001. Growth in NTTF is most prominent in three schools: FAS, Tisch, and Dental. Numbers at Stern and Steinhardt have been consistent.
  - Magder presented his summary of the 2008 FSC report on NTTF.
  - The conclusion of this report was NTTF should have a role in governance at the school level, but this did not include university-level governance or a recommendation for NTTF to serve as senators.
  - Magder summarized the questions the Council must address this year:
    - Should NTTF participate in university governance? If yes, how are they to be represented: become members of the FSC? Develop their own Council?
  - The Personnel and Affirmative Action (PAAC) will be reviewing this issue and will bring their findings to the Council. They were asked to prepare models of possible ways to represent NTTF for the FSC to consider. Once specific decisions are made, the Council will also have to work with the Senate Committee on Organization and Governance (SCOG).