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Regular Meeting of the University Senate

DATE

September 28, 2007

TIME AND PLACE

1:10 p.m.
Multipurpose Room
Rutgers Student Center
126 College Avenue
College Avenue Campus

MEMBERS PRESENT:

EXCUSED:

[Secretary’s Note: Given the nature of this meeting, with its focus on the President’s Annual Address, and Senators’ ability to view the meeting and address remotely online or on RU-TV, all Senators who could not attend the event in the Rutgers Student Center were listed as excused.]

PRESIDING OFFICER
Samuel Rabinowitz, Chairperson

CHAIRPERSON’S REPORT: Chairperson Rabinowitz called the meeting to order at 1:13 p.m., then introduced himself, and welcomed Senators, special guests, and all Rutgers-community attendees. He thanked everyone for supporting the Senate’s goal of making Rutgers University even better in the future than it is in the present. He acknowledged, introduced, and thanked: former Senate chairs Paul Panayotatos, Kathleen Scott, and Martha Cotter; Senate executive secretary Ken Swalagin and administrative assistant Linda Mickelsen; all current members of the Senate Executive Committee, and Ryan Cooke, Senate parliamentarian.

Chairperson Rabinowitz then outlined the procedure for the question-and-answer period which was to follow President McCormick’s Annual Address to the Community. The procedure, intended to enable as many community members as possible to participate in the process, allowed anyone present to pose a question, with no preference given to Senators, but questions were limited to one per person, and to one minute or less, with no follow-up.

PRESIDENT’S ANNUAL ADDRESS TO THE UNIVERSITY COMMUNITY: Chairperson Rabinowitz introduced President McCormick, who took the lectern. President McCormick then presented his Annual Address to the University Community, the theme of which was “Jersey Roots, Global Reach.” The text of the address has been posted online at http://president.rutgers.edu/address07_speech.shtml.

A question-and-answer period followed, during which President McCormick responded to questions from Senators and other members of the Rutgers community on a wide range of issues.

ADJOURNMENT: There being no further business before the University Senate, Chairperson Rabinowitz adjourned the meeting at 2:51 p.m.

Kenneth Swalagin
Secretary of the University Senate