REGULAR MEETING OF THE UNIVERSITY OF DELAWARE

Meeting Minutes

6 February 2006

104 Gore Hall 4:00 pm

I. Adoption of the Agenda

II. Approval of the Minutes: December 5, 2005

III. Remarks: Provost Dan Rich

Dr. Rich reported that he and Lou Hirsch met with the Joint Senate and House General Assembly at the request of the University to discuss the University of Delaware undergraduate admission process. The University has drafted a policy to help guide high school students, guidance counselors, and administrators on the curriculum students should take to be successful in receiving acceptance to the University of Delaware. The commitment policy states that Delaware students who successfully complete the guidelines will almost be guaranteed admission to the University.

Lou Hirsch stated that the policy will help drive the high school curriculum in Delaware to help students be more successful in college. The commitment policy is not the minimal requirements for admission to the University. Send comments about the policy to Lou Hirsch before the end of February.

Over 21,000 undergraduate applications have been received so far for fall 2006 enrollment. Applications are up for students of color. All qualified Delaware student applicants are accepted. Those Delaware students predicted to be successful are accepted to the Newark campus. Some Delaware applicants that show promise but not accepted to the Newark campus, are accepted into the associate degree program. Those students completing an associate degree are guaranteed admission to the Newark campus.

The majority of out of state applicants are well qualified. No matter what a student’s grade point average or SAT score, all applications and letters of recommendation are read.

Dr. Rich added that there are 341 more students in the 2005 freshman class compared to 15 years ago. The 341 additional students are all Delaware students. There has been no increase in
out of state student admissions.

IV. **Announcements:** Senate President Avron Abraham

New Faculty Senate web site will be released soon.

V. **Consent Agenda**

A. **Announcements for Challenge**

1. Recommendation from the Committee on Undergraduate Studies (Douglas Buttrey, Chair) with the concurrence of the Coordinating Committee on Education (Dallas Hoover, Chair) and the Executive Committee (Avron Abraham, Chair) for the revision to the Aerospace concentration (ASEG) of the Bachelor of Mechanical Engineering (attachment)

2. Recommendation from the Committee on Undergraduate Studies (Douglas Buttrey, Chair) with the concurrence of the Coordinating Committee on Education (Dallas Hoover, Chair) and the Executive Committee (Avron Abraham, Chair) for the revision to the Biomedical concentration (BMEG) of the Bachelor of Mechanical Engineering (attachment)

3. Recommendation from the Committee on Undergraduate Studies (Douglas Buttrey, Chair) with the concurrence of the Coordinating Committee on Education (Dallas Hoover, Chair) and the Executive Committee (Avron Abraham, Chair) for the revision to the minor in Entomology (attachment)

4. Recommendation from the Committee on Undergraduate Studies (Douglas Buttrey, Chair) with the concurrence of the Coordinating Committee on Education (Dallas Hoover, Chair) and the Executive Committee (Avron Abraham, Chair) to add an Honors Major - Honors Bachelor of Science: Plant Science (attachment)

5. Recommendation from the Committee on Undergraduate Studies (Douglas Buttrey, Chair) with the concurrence of the Coordinating Committee on Education (Dallas Hoover, Chair) and the Executive Committee (Avron Abraham, Chair) to add an Honors Major – Honors Bachelor of Science: Environmental Soil (attachment)
6. Recommendation from the Committee on Undergraduate Studies (Douglas Buttrey, Chair) with the concurrence of the Coordinating Committee on Education (Dallas Hoover, Chair) and the Executive Committee (Avron Abraham, Chair) to add an Honors Major – Honors Bachelor of Science: Landscape Horticulture (attachment)

7. Recommendation from the Committee on Undergraduate Studies (Douglas Buttrey, Chair) with the concurrence of the Coordinating Committee on Education (Dallas Hoover, Chair) and the Executive Committee (Avron Abraham, Chair) for the revision to the Bachelor of Science: Environmental Soil Science (attachment)

8. Recommendation from the Committee on Undergraduate Studies (Douglas Buttrey, Chair) with the concurrence of the Coordinating Committee on Education (Dallas Hoover, Chair) and the Executive Committee (Avron Abraham, Chair) for the revision to the Bachelor of Science: Plant Science (attachment)

9. Recommendation from the Committee on Undergraduate Studies (Douglas Buttrey, Chair) with the concurrence of the Coordinating Committee on Education (Dallas Hoover, Chair) and the Executive Committee (Avron Abraham, Chair) for the revision to the Bachelor of Science: Landscape Horticulture (attachment)

10. Recommendation from the Committee on Undergraduate Studies (Douglas Buttrey, Chair) with the concurrence of the Coordinating Committee on Education (Dallas Hoover, Chair) and the Executive Committee (Avron Abraham, Chair) to delete the Major and Minor: Plant Biology – B.S. (attachment)

B. Recommendation from the Committee on Graduate Studies (Chuck Mason, Chair) with the concurrence of the Coordinating Committee on Education (Dallas Hoover, Chair) and the Executive Committee (Avron Abraham, Chair) to disestablish the MA program in Physics (attachment-1 1-3-06)

Consent Agenda passed.

C. Resolutions: None

VI. Regular Agenda

A. Old Business: None
B. New Business: None

VII. New Business

Adjourned 4:55.

Submitted by Donald Lehman