TO: Senators and Executives

FROM: Martha Buell, Vice President
       University Faculty Senate

SUBJECT: Regular Faculty Senate Meeting December 2, 2013

In accordance with Section IV, paragraph 6 of the Constitution, the regular meeting of the University Faculty Senate will be held on Monday, December 2nd at 4:00 p.m. in room 104 Gore Hall.

I certify that hard copies of the approval page for each undergraduate and graduate studies academic item on the agenda are filed in the Faculty Senate Office with the appropriate signatures of approval up through the Chair of the Faculty Senate Coordinating Committee on Education. The Agenda will be as follows:

AGENDA

I. Adoption of the Agenda

II. Approval of the Minutes November 4, 2013

III. Remarks: Provost Domenico Grasso

IV. Announcements: Senate President Deni Galileo
                             Carl Jacobson, Vice President, Information Technologies

V. Consent Agenda

   A. Announcements for Challenge:

       1. Recommendation from the Committee on Graduate Studies (Charles Swanik, Chair) with the concurrence of the Coordinating Committee on Education (Fred Hofstetter, Chair) and the Executive Committee (Deni Galileo, Chair) for the request to revise the Master’s Degree in Materials Science (GRD0306) (attachment)
2. Recommendation from the Committee on Graduate Studies (Charles Swanik, Chair) with the concurrence of the Coordinating Committee on Education (Fred Hofstetter, Chair) and the Executive Committee (Deni Galileo, Chair) for the request to revise the Ph.D. in Materials Science (0307) (attachment) (attachment)

VI. Regular Agenda

A. Unfinished Business:

1. Recommendation from the Ad Hoc RBB Committee (Jim Morrison, Chair) with the concurrence of the Committee on Rules (Prasad Dhurjati, Chair), the Committee on Committees and Nominations (Brian Hanson, Chair) and the Executive Committee (Deni Galileo, Chair) for the request to establish a Standing University Faculty Senate Budget Committee (attachment1) (attachment) (revised attachment1) (revised attachment)

WHEREAS, the Faculty Senate Ad Hoc Committee on RBB has met numerous times and has issued its report to the Senate with recommendations, which include the reconstitution of a standing Senate Budget Committee; and

WHEREAS, it would be beneficial in many ways to the University of Delaware to have a high degree of transparency of the budgetary processes of the University as a whole and of the academic units within it; and

WHEREAS, the Faculty Senate should have a formal mechanism to give timely advice to the administration of the University about how potential budgetary decisions will influence the many academic and research endeavors of the University; and

WHEREAS, other excellent universities maintain University Budget Committees with substantial faculty representation, which advise their administrations about budgetary issues; be it therefore,

RESOLVED, that the University Faculty Senate shall establish a standing University Faculty Senate Budget Committee, with representation by faculty from most or all of its colleges, charged with the responsibilities of

1) becoming fully informed on the financial and planning issues of this University. Specifically, it shall examine
University budgets, financial statements and other related documents used in developing budgetary plans.

2) reviewing and providing timely prospective advice, prior to finalizing budget turnaround decisions, concerning the University’s annual budgets, the processes used to determine them, and their potential impact on the academic, research and outreach missions of the University to the President, Provost, Deans and other officers of administration with responsibility for the University’s annual budgets.

3) reviewing budgets of newly proposed or substantially revised academic programs to determine their viability in conjunction with the Coordinating Committee on Education.

4) communicating information about the University’s annual budgets and their potential impact on academic programs to the University Faculty Senate and to the University Faculty as a whole.

This committee is authorized to confer with other Senate committees and with University budget personnel as appropriate.

The Committee shall consist of seven faculty members, the majority of whom shall be tenured. Faculty shall be from at least four of the seven colleges. The Committee on Committees and Nominations shall appoint the faculty members for this committee for terms of three years. Appointments shall be scheduled such that the faculty members’ terms will expire in a staggered manner. The Committee on Committees and Nominations shall appoint annually the chairperson from the seven faculty members. An eighth member of the committee shall be appointed annually by the Provost as his or her designee, and this member shall serve to facilitate interactions between the committee and relevant administrative offices.

B. New Business:

1. Recommendation from the Executive Committee (Deni Galileo, Chair) for the approval of a resolution recommending openness in administrative searches
WHEREAS, the Faculty Senate functions as the standing executive committee of the Faculty of the University of Delaware and, as such, exercises the powers vested in the Faculty by the Board of Trustees, and

WHEREAS, it is the responsibility of the Faculty to consider and make recommendations concerning the establishment or abolition of administrative offices that are directly concerned with academic matters, and

WHEREAS, the University is considering the establishment of new administrative positions that are directly concerned with academic matters, and

WHEREAS, transparency and engagement of the University community are important and clearly should be evident in the shared governance of the University, and

WHEREAS, open searches have been commonplace at the University in the past and currently are being done at many other colleges and universities, and

WHEREAS, the Faculty Senate recommended last year that high-level administrative searches be conducted in a reasonably open manner, be it therefore

RESOLVED, that the Faculty Senate reaffirms the recommendation that administrative searches at the level of Dean or higher (including President, Vice Presidents, and all forms of Provosts) be conducted in a reasonably open manner, such that the short-listed candidates are announced and opportunities are provided where our students, faculty and other concerned members of the University community may engage them and provide feedback before a finalist is selected.

2. Recommendation from the Committee on Graduate Studies (Charles Swanik, Chair) with the concurrence of the Coordinating Committee on Education (Fred Hofstetter, Chair) and the Executive Committee (Deni Galileo, Chair) for the approval of a new Ph.D. in Financial Services Analytics (GRD0309) (attachment) (attachment) (resolution)
WHEREAS, the proposed Doctor of Philosophy in Financial Services Analytics provides a new graduate course of study in an emerging discipline essential to 21st century business and engineering research and impacting the operations, efficiency, science, technology and management of the financial services and analytics fields, and

WHEREAS, the proposed program builds upon the research strength, education resources and infrastructure from Departments across the Colleges of Engineering, the Lerner College of Business and Economics and the College of Arts & Sciences, as well as from the Institute for Financial Services Analytics, and

WHEREAS, the proposed program contributes to the scholarly and educational missions of the University—to disseminate scientific, humanistic, and social knowledge for the benefit of the larger society and to produce graduates who are prepared to contribute to a global society, addressing the critical needs of the state, nation and global community, and

WHEREAS, the proposed program fosters multi- and interdisciplinary research and educational collaboration across campus, providing a critical component to the University’s strategic priorities in energy, environment, and life and health sciences, and serving as a pillar of UD's Path to Prominence, be it therefore

RESOLVED, that the Faculty Senate approves provisionally, for seven years, the establishment of a new program leading to the Doctor of Philosophy in Financial Services Analytics, effective June 1, 2014.
3. Recommendation from the Committee on Graduate Studies (Charles Swanik, Chair) with the concurrence of the Coordinating Committee on Education (Fred Hofstetter, Chair) and the Executive Committee (Deni Galileo, Chair) for the request to **add an articulation agreement for a 3 + 2 BA in Physics and MMSE Master of Materials Science and Engineering degree (GRD0305)** (attachment) (attachment) (attachment) (resolution attachment)

WHEREAS, Millersville University of Pennsylvania and the University of Delaware are committed to enabling qualified students to receive both a liberal and technical education and, in so doing, provide the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, the State of Delaware and the Nation with more broadly educated engineers and scientists, and

WHEREAS, the two institutions are committed to providing a smooth transition for students wishing to earn both baccalaureate and Master’s degrees, and

WHEREAS, the two institutions better serve the educational growth of students and the economic development of the region through cooperative educational planning and optimal utilization of regional resources, and

WHEREAS, the intent of the two institutions is to support the educational progress of exceptional students in the Department of Physics and Millersville University of Pennsylvania and to increase regional participation in the Department of Materials Science and Engineering at the University of Delaware, be it therefore

RESOLVED, that this agreement commits the partners to establish a connected degree program between related academic programs offered by the two institutions, and be it further

RESOLVED, that the Faculty Senate recommends provisional approval, for five years, the 3 + 2 BA Physics/Master’s in Materials Science and Engineering degree.

4. Recommendation from the Committee on Graduate Studies (Charles Swanik, Chair) with the concurrence of the Coordinating Committee on Education (Fred Hofstetter, Chair) and the Executive Committee (Deni Galileo, Chair) for the request to **add an MS degree in Physical Therapy Anatomy and Clinical Health Science (GRD0308)** (attachment) (attachment) (attachment) (attachment) (resolution attachment)
WHEREAS, the proposed Master of Science in Anatomy and Clinical Health Science provides distinction of academic superiority to students admitted into the Doctor of Physical Therapy (DPT) Program through academic credentials recognizing advanced knowledge and understanding of human anatomy, physiology, pathology, and the ability to apply such information to normal and pathological movements, and

WHEREAS, the proposed program builds upon the established record of educational excellence in the Department of Physical Therapy in the College of Health Sciences, to recognize student proficiency in combining analysis of health outcomes research with intricate knowledge of system structure and function to ultimately maximize patient and client wellness through education, advocacy, and research coordination, and

WHEREAS, the existing DPT Program already offers and sustains the coursework and administrative framework necessary for such a degree, and

WHEREAS, the proposed Master's Degree contributes to one of the milestones on the University’s Path to Prominence to achieve excellence in professional education; be it therefore

RESOLVED, that the Faculty Senate recommends, provisionally for five years, the establishment of a Master of Science in Anatomy and Clinical Health Science.

VII. Introduction of New Business:
Such items as may come before the Senate. (No motion introduced under new business, except a motion to refer to committee, shall be acted upon until the next meeting of the Senate.)