

**UMDNJ
Master Educators' Guild
2001-2002**

Activities of the Master Educators' Guild 2001-2002 include:

- Dr. Craig Scanlan, Project Director, and Drs. Catherine Kotecki and Joel Martin, Associate Project Directors, were awarded a \$15,000 grant in 2001 to establish an Online Center for Teaching Excellence in the Health Sciences. The UMDNJ Academic Information Technology Advisory Committee awarded the grant. The Online Center is in its "beta testing" stage and is expected to go live in the fall of 2002. The purpose of the Center is
 - To support, promote and enhance School and University-wide faculty development.
 - To serve as a comprehensive resource center for the health sciences teaching community at large.
 - To provide a "virtual" home for the UMDNJ Master Educators' Guild.Please see the attached Progress Report.
- On September 7, 2001 members of the Guild and their spouses attended an Autumn Reception for new Guild members hosted by Dr. and Mrs. Robert Saporito, UMDNJ Senior Vice-President for Academic Affairs, at the Manasquan River Country Club.
- On November 12, 2001 Guild Bylaws were approved concluding the committee work of Drs. Lloyd Forman, Jerry Langer, Joel Martin and Nagaswami Vasan.
- On November 20, 2001 fourteen (14) new members of the Guild were inducted at a private ceremony in the Stanley S. Bergen Building hosted by President Cook and the UMDNJ Board of Trustees. There are currently twenty-six (26) Guild members.
- On December 1, 2001 Dr. Elaine Patterson received the UMDNJ nomination for the Award for Innovative Excellence in Teaching, Learning and Technology given at the Thirteenth International Conference on College Teaching and Learning, which met in Jacksonville, Florida on April 12, 2002. Drs. Catherine Kotecki and Joel Martin served on the Guild Screening Committee to advance Dr. Patterson's nomination to President Cook.
- Guild Officers for 2001-2002 were elected at a general VTEL meeting of the Guild connecting Newark, New Brunswick and Stratford on January 7, 2002. The 2001-2002 Officers were:

President
Vice-President for Programming
Vice-President for Finance
Secretary (year one)

Dr. Joel Martin
Dr. Lloyd Forman
Dr. Marian Stuart
Dr. Patrick Quaranta

- On May 3, 2002 the Guild held a symposium on purposes of technology in higher education entitled “Technology May Be the Answer, but What Is the Question?” One hundred and sixty-seven (167) participants registered for the meeting, which was sent via VTEL technology to Newark and Stratford. The symposium was also made available over the Internet in a “live streaming” broadcast by V-Span. Subsequently, the stream was available on V-Span’s server for one month. An additional seventy-five (75) people accessed the morning symposium program online. Currently, a DVD disc is being made of the morning session.

The symposium featured an internationally known keynote speaker in the area of information technology, Dr. Charles Friedman, as well as, Dr. James McGee of the University of Pittsburgh Medical School. Additionally, thirteen UMDNJ faculty and staff made one-half hour presentations about how they have utilized technology in their daily teaching. The Center for Continuing Outreach Education accepted surveys from participants and the symposium achieved a 4.4 overall rating on a one to five scale with five (5) being high. Please see the attached Evaluation Summary.

The symposium was tentatively budgeted at \$13324 for one hundred (100) attendees. One hundred and thirteen (113) people were physically present in Piscataway and as noted above, an additional twenty (20) watched the VTEL morning presentations in Newark and Stratford. To date \$15415.64 in expenses have been received; however \$5505 of this sum is being reviewed. It is expected that the final cost of the symposium will be in line with the proposed budget. Please see the attached Tentative Budget and Summary of Expenses.

- Dr. David Gibson, Dean, SHRP, designed a gonfalon to be carried by the Guild President at UMDNJ Commencement exercises. On May 22, 2002 eighteen (18) members of the Master Educators’ Guild led faculty of UMDNJ to their stage seats at the PNC Bank Arts Center, Holmdel, NJ.
- On June 12, 2002 the Master Educators’ Guild First Annual meeting was held at the New Brunswick Hyatt Hotel. A dinner business meeting followed a President’s Reception. Officers gave reports on Guild activities and the new Guild President, Dr. Catherine Kotecki, led a discussion concerning how the Guild can take a leadership role in fostering mentoring at UMDNJ. At the conclusion of the meeting Officers for 2002-2003 were installed. They are:

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| ○ President | Dr. Catherine Kotecki |
| ○ Vice-President for Programming | Dr. Craig Scanlan |
| ○ Vice-President for Finance | Dr. Marian Stuart |
| ○ Secretary (year two) | Dr. Patrick Quaranta |
| ○ Member-at-Large | Dr. Terri Goss-Kinzy |
| ○ Immediate Past President | Dr. Joel Martin |