



MEMORANDUM

To: Eric Lifshin, Chair of the CNSE Council

From: Kermit L. Hall, President and Professor of History *KLH*

Date: February 21, 2006

Subject: CNSE Charter and Bylaws

I am pleased to approve the College of Nanoscale Science and Engineering (CNSE) Faculty Bylaws and Faculty Council Charter, specifying the rights, privileges and responsibilities of CNSE faculty.

This caps an extensive process of systematic deliberations and positive discussions, and I am deeply grateful to all who worked long and hard to develop these important documents.

The bylaws and charter clearly affirm an overarching commitment to the unified faculty governance structure at the University at Albany and establish the standards for the various degrees of autonomous CNSE faculty governance in the areas of graduate curricula, academic standing and appeal, continuing appointment and promotion, and research.

Through all our colleges and schools, the University at Albany aims to provide the best possible experience for our students. The CNSE bylaws and charter will serve as a vital framework for the ways CNSE and the University will work to achieve our goals and advance our academic, research, and outreach missions.

Please extend my thanks and congratulations to the entire CNSE faculty and staff on achieving this important milestone.

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