

Faculty Council  
Meeting Minutes  
November 15, 2007

**Present:** Julio de Paula, Dean of the College; Jane Hunter, Associate Dean; Cliff Bekar, Associate Professor of Economics; Mervyn Brockett, Assistant to the President; Ken Clifton, Associate Professor of Biology; Dinah Dodds, Professor of German; Deborah Heath, Associate Professor of Anthropology; and Terri Banasek, Executive Assistant and recorder.

**Announcements:**

- The Ray Warren Multicultural Symposium continues this evening with Race Monologues. Students will give presentations on how race functions in their lives.

**Agenda Items:**

1. The minutes of November 8, 2007, were approved.
2. Faculty Council discussed the sabbatical leave applications. It will determine whether the applications meet the standard for approval, and Dean de Paula and Associate Dean Hunter will then review for resource implications.
3. Faculty Council continued its discussion of the course release policy.
4. Faculty Council will discuss the expansion of AES over email. Dean de Paula noted that this speaks to diversity. There is a benefit to our students. He sees that as a particularly important potential outcome that aligns with what has been said in the Planning Task Force and Diversity Task Force. Money is important but not the primary reason for doing this.
5. The meeting was adjourned at 4:30 p.m.

Next meeting: Thursday, November 29, 2007, 1:50-3:20 p.m.