Faculty Council Meeting Minutes February 7, 2008

**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.

## **Agenda Items:**

- 1. Faculty Council continued its discussion of a course release policy. Dean de Paula had distributed electronically a financial analysis of the costs involved, with the goal being to take a more macro-level approach to the budgetary issues.
- 2. Faculty Council continued its discussion of the criteria for establishing centers and institutes at the College.
- 3. Faculty Council reviewed the RFP for the Mellon Post-Doctoral Program. Associate Dean Hunter will draft new language emphasizing the need for a diverse pool. It was agreed to hire one post-doc for 2008-09.
- 4. The meeting was adjourned at 11:10 a.m.

Next meeting: Friday, February 15, 8:40 a.m.