

Faculty Council  
Meeting Minutes  
January 21, 2009

**Present:** Julio de Paula, Dean of the College; Jane Hunter, Associate Dean; Andrew Bernstein, Associate Professor of History; Daena Goldsmith, Professor of Communication; Rob Kugler, Wright Professor of Christian Studies; Liz Safran, Associate Professor of Geological Science; and Terri Banasek, Executive Assistant and recorder.

**Excused:** Mervyn Brockett, Associate Provost

**Agenda Items:**

1. Faculty Council discussed the Mellon Postdoctoral Fellow proposals.
2. Faculty Council reviewed the strategic hiring proposal. Dean de Paula will bring the proposal back to the faculty at the February meeting.
3. Faculty Council discussed the draft RFP for the Distinguished Speakers Program.
4. Faculty Council began initial discussions about new faculty and staff positions. Dean de Paula gave a brief introduction about where the budget stands.
5. The meeting was adjourned at 4:30 p.m.

Next meeting: Thursday, February 12, 2009, 3:30 p.m.