

Faculty Council
Meeting Minutes
October 19, 2009

Present: Julio de Paula, Dean of the College; Jane Hunter, Associate Dean of the College; Andrew Bernstein, associate professor of history; Cliff Bekar, associate professor of economics; Rob Kugler, Paul S. Wright Professor of Christian Studies; and Terri Banasek, executive assistant and recorder.

Absent: Liz Safran, associate professor of geological sciences

Agenda Items:

1. The minutes of October 5, 2009, were approved.
2. Faculty Council discussed the Board of Trustees resolution regarding athletics. Faculty Council discussed their concerns with process. Associate Dean Hunter pointed out that in the Strategic Planning Task Force, this issue was overlooked. It is absolutely appropriate that we think about athletics in our overall strategic planning. Dean de Paula added that he fears there are a lot of rumors floating around that need to be dealt with. It was agreed that the Faculty Council will meet once again with Mr. Jaqua.
3. Faculty Council continued its discussion of the Mellon Faculty Development process.
4. Distinguished speaker proposals: Three proposals were received for these funds, and all three were approved by Faculty Council. Ms. Banasek will notify the recipients.
5. Faculty Council briefly discussed the salary pool and how it should be distributed.
6. The meeting was adjourned at 4:50 p.m.

Next meeting: Monday, October 26, 8:30-10 a.m.