

College of Liberal Arts and Sciences
Faculty Council Meeting
February 01, 2007

Members Present: Avis Vidal, Charles Parrish, Larry Lombard, Marvin Zalman, Robert Aguirre, Roslyn Schindler, Catherine Jen, Mark Ferguson, Boris Baltes, Steve Spurr, Brad Roth, Hans Hummer, David Coleman, Bob Reynolds

Attending: Robert Thomas, Dave Njus, Don Spinelli, Paul Clemens, Caroline Brzuchowski, Carmen Albert

Absent With Notice: Arthur Marotti, Caroline Morgan, John Klein, Eric Ash

The meeting was called to order at 10:00.

The minutes of the January 04, 2007 meeting were approved.

The dean reinforced the importance of the upcoming NCA meetings with faculty, scheduled for Feb. 12 and Feb. 13, and encouraged those who are able to attend to do so.

Paul Clemens spoke of the changes to the latest draft of the College Bylaws, changes based on previous Faculty Council discussions. There was yet more discussion, mainly of the constitution of the College Merit Committee—whether it should be elected, as the draft of the bylaws stated, or consist of one member from each department. A motion to accept this draft of the bylaws, with minor emendations and with an elected salary committee in place, passed council vote.

Don Spinelli presented a proposal for a new MA program in Peace Studies, jointly offered with the University of Windsor and administered through the Department of Interdisciplinary Studies. There were many questions about the program, and the council felt it was a good idea to invite Fred Pearson, director of Peace and Conflict Studies, to the March 1 meeting of council to explain the program in greater detail and address any questions and concerns.

The meeting adjourned at 11:15.