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SALVE REGINA UNIVERSITY FACULTY ASSEMBLY

Minutes of the Meeting of May 5, 2006

Wetmore Stables

Jay Lacouture, Speaker of the Assembly, presided.

1. **Call to Order.** The meeting was called to order at 1:10 PM in Executive Session.

2. **Evaluation of Academic Administrators.** The Assembly voted to put into these minutes the following excerpt from the April 7 minutes (Executive Session):

   A motion to "Amend the Process of Evaluation of Administrators" was presented and seconded during Executive Session. A Friendly Amendment was made to increase the membership of the committee mentioned in the motion from 5 to 9. The presenters of the motion agreed to the Friendly Amendment. The motion (below) passed. **YES 41** **NO 6** **ABSTAIN 1**

   Whereas, The Faculty Assembly voted in 2004 to institute an evaluation of academic administrators,

   Whereas, At the Faculty Assembly meeting on February 3, 2006, President Antone said that while she welcomes faculty involvement in the evaluation of academic administrators the present process being used by faculty is not acceptable to her,

   Whereas, President Antone offered to work with faculty to develop an acceptable process, and suggested that the Faculty Assembly elect five members of the faculty to work with her and the consultant to develop a valid process, therefore,

   Be it resolved, That as a Faculty Assembly, it is our will to hold an election of nine faculty who will work with the President to develop a process for faculty evaluation of academic administrators. Upon development of a mutually acceptable process, the elected committee of the faculty will bring the new process to the Faculty Assembly for a vote to consider implementation in spring 2007 in place of the current process.

The Assembly voted to end Executive Session.

3. **Speaker's Announcements**

   Committee. Members of the Assembly will receive a nomination form for the committee to develop a process for faculty evaluation of academic administrators (see item 2 above). He urged faculty to run for this committee.

   Dean of Faculty. The Speaker urged faculty to volunteer for a committee that will investigate the merits of having a Dean of Faculty.

Thanks. The Speaker thanked Johnelle Luciani, RSM (former Speaker) and Thomas Day (Secretary) whose terms on the Executive Committee have ended.

4. **Business Studies – Motions.** Ron Atkins, Chair of the Department of Business Studies, presented two separate motions to endorse the following proposed curriculum changes: (1) a new major in Global Business and Economics (BA) and (2) a revised major in Information Systems – Management (BS). The motions were seconded. He then presented a rationale for both proposals, addressed concerns, and answered questions. After the debate, the Assembly endorsed both proposals in a paper ballot:

Global Business and Economics (BA)	**YES 45**	**NO 8**	**ABSTAIN 2**
Information Systems – Management (BS)	**YES 47**	**NO 5**	**ABSTAIN 4**

Prof. Atkins said that he would update the Assembly in the fall as to how these curriculum changes were progressing through the system.

5. **Proposed Core Complement Courses in Religious Studies – Motions.** John Greeley of the Religious Studies Department made separate motions to endorse two proposed new courses developed by Anthony LoPresti for inclusion in the list of Core Complement courses: (1) The Diabolical and the Divine and (2) Christianity and the Erotic. The motions were seconded.

Suspend the rules. Debate began with a discussion of whether these proposals should be voted on at this meeting or the next one, probably in October. The Faculty Assembly's *Protocol for Requesting the Faculty Assembly's Involvement in Changes Concerning Curriculum and Educational Policy* (May 1, 2000) lists a change in the Core Curriculum as an example of a "Substantial Curriculum Change" that has to be "announced" before the Assembly votes on whether or not to endorse it. ("Announcement" and "Substantial Curriculum Change" are defined on p. 5 of the *Protocol*.) The Assembly has generally followed the parliamentary rule of presenting an important motion at one meeting and voting on it at the next, but the *Protocol* does not specify this as a requirement.

A procedural motion was presented and seconded to "suspend the rules" and vote on the proposals at this meeting. (This type of motion requires a majority of a least two-thirds in order to pass.) During the debate it was noted that the Assembly had received written descriptions of the proposals at its April meeting and that the Core Curriculum Advisory Committee had approved of the proposed courses. In a show of hands, the Assembly decided to suspend the rules: YES 48 NO 6. There were no abstentions.

After a debate the Assembly endorsed both courses:

The Diabolical and the Divine	**YES 37**	**NO 12**	**ABSTAIN 1**
Christianity and the Erotic	**YES 33**	**NO 16**	**ABSTAIN 3**

6. **Election of the Speaker.** Two members of the Executive Committee were nominated as Speaker and agreed to run for election: James Garman and Carol Gibbons, In a paper ballot, Carol Gibbons was elected.

The meeting adjourned at 2:36 PM. After the meeting Michael Semenza of Institutional Advancement spoke to the Assembly about plans for the renovation of the Wetmore Stables and fundraising for this project.