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SALVE REGINA UNIVERSITY FACULTY ASSEMBLY

Minutes of the Meeting of December 2, 2005

Jay Lacouture, Speaker of the Assembly, presided.

1. **Call to Order and Announcements.** The meeting was called to order at 1:07 PM.

The Speaker congratulated Sister Therese Antone and Michael Semenza for all of their efforts to bring the Dalai Lama to the campus.

Robert Bonnevie, a consultant to the University President for institutional assessment, will speak to the faculty in the Bazarsky Auditorium.

The University's ad hoc Committee on Technology Planning will be examining the matter of desktop printers. Individual faculty and the Assembly should bring their concerns to this committee.

2. **Minutes.** The Minutes of the November 4 meeting were approved.
3. **Treasurer.** About \$2100 is in the Assembly's account. Forty-seven faculty have paid dues.
4. **Proposal: Duties of the Department Chair and Director of a Graduate Program.** Thomas Day presented a proposal from the joint administration-faculty Commission on the Faculty Manual: written descriptions of the duties of the department Chair and the Director of a graduate program. The following were two of the matters raised during a brief discussion:

The first sentence of the proposal on the Chair states this: "A Chairperson is a faculty member with administrative responsibilities for an academic department of the discipline or professional program to which he/she belongs." That sentence may no longer make sense if different disciplines continue to be combined into one department.

The process for evaluating the Chair and Director seems to be top-down, with the Dean doing the evaluation. The process would be more valuable if the faculty in the department or program were involved in this evaluation.

5. **Proposal. Changes to the M.A. in Humanities.** Lance Carluccio, Dean of Graduate Studies and Continuing Education, and Michael Budd presented a proposal for changes in the M.A. in Humanities, including a new course called Advanced Humanities Research: Method, Theory and the Disciplines. The proposal will be voted on at the next meeting.
6. **Proposal. Holistic Counseling.** Peter Mullen, Director of the Graduate Program in Holistic Counseling, presented a proposal for a Holistic Counseling Early Entry Graduate Program. The proposal will be voted on at the next meeting.

At 1:30 PM a Motion was passed to continue the meeting in Executive Session after a brief recess.