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**Faculty Assembly Meeting**  
**November 6, 2013**  
**O'Hare 260**  
**3:00–4:30 p.m.**

3:07            Establish Quorum  
3:08            Approval of minutes from October 2013 Faculty Assembly Meeting--approved  
3:09            Reports and Announcements

Treasurer's Report: Lisa Zuccarelli. \$1315 dollars in account. Donations made in honor of Linda Atkins (wife of Ron Atkins) and to Semper Fi fund in memorial of Gary Gray.

English for Academic Purposes: Kiyomi Donnelly and Aida Neary. Cultural and academic support for non-native speakers of English. Illustrate different writing styles (Western and Eastern Writing Styles).

Student Athlete Report: John Rok

Teaching Evaluation Task Force—Task Force has been tabled

3:23            Core Model Update: Provost de la Motte

Thanks for the Task Force for the time spent on it, particularly Alison Shakarian. Admin's job not to deal with content, but the Admin does feel the Core must be . . .

Consistent with the strategic plan

We provide rigor, particularly with regard to writing

Integrate information literacy/fluency and research skills

Allows all students to participate in experiential learning

Permit opportunity to interdisciplinary thinking

Allows students to graduate on time

That it not impede transfer students

That it not create unnecessary complications for students and advisors

General comments:

Part I—potential to be engaging; concerns about staffing, particularly if they should be taught by full-time faculty (as many as possible); if the Writing Seminar is to be truly intensive (multiple drafts, one-on-one conferencing), they will have to be smaller than the University Seminar.

Part II—we expect those departments to come up with innovative courses

Part III—the structure poses serious problems with implementation; complicates academic advising

Part IV—if to be a genuinely integrative experience, and located within majors and under control of the faculty, all courses will need to be submitted to a committee for approval; departments have to demonstrate how they will integrate their capstone with the Core

Sister Jane has decided: Admin will start to work with implementation group/working group (formed asap) and by Feb 15 will consider structural and administrative concerns

Faculty will elect four faculty members, Jane will appoint three, and there will be two ex-Officio members (Registrar and James Mitchell). Group will make recommendations to the President.

Implementation date—first-year courses ready for the fall of 2014

Comments/Questions:

How will we vote for it? We will be in the minority. A: Administrators will be non-voting.

Let the faculty own in a more solid way the Core Curriculum.

It isn't fair to brand them administrative flunkies. Setting up a divisive situation.

Product rather than process—we need to know what the end product is supposed to be, and at what date.

Which part is this group dealing with? A: One and three. Questions about implementation primary. Concern about advising and time toward degree. Figuring out how it works. Feasibility.

If there are any radical changes we should get another vote.

This is a group determining if it can be done, so the fix should come back to us. How we deal with Part III depends on how we Code the courses (what can IT do).

If Part I is the main concern, and half and half would that be a fix.

3:57                      Committee and Task Force Updates

Evaluation Process Committee: Motion that Evaluation Process Committee be reduced from six members to four (December)

Eileen Gray: Nursing PhD program. Can we vote on this in December?  
Motion to suspend 30-day rule. Passes 82% to 18%

Faculty Manual Commission—no word on this yet.

Vice President of Enrollment Search: Jameson Chace—search is going on.  
Martha Rose also on that committee. Search firm, details forthcoming.

4:12                      FACSB Report—Move into Executive Session; no faculty oversight for money

coming out of the Provost's office; maybe with the next provost we advocate for some committee; no transparency; we used to have a committee that handed out the money; transparency is important and that money should come back to us; we should have one large pool of money overseen by a small group of people; does anyone know the size of this fund?; the challenge is timing (money might all be gone); sabbatical announcements not made this year; important to keep eye on pension restoration; go to Executive Ctte and see what oversight we might have with regard to the money

4:26 Jim Ludes—Provost search update. Provost and VP of Academic Affairs

4:37 Adjournment