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## FACULTY ASSEMBLY

OCTOBER 5, 2016

#### **AGENDA**

#### FACULTY ASSEMBLY Wednesday OCTOBER 5, 2016 3:00 pm - 4:30 pm State Dining Room, Ochre Court

I.	Call to Order and Quorum Count*
II.	Reflection
III.	Approval of the Minutes of the Faculty Assembly Meeting of April 27, 2016*
IV.	Speaker's Report - New Beginnings and Initiatives for this Semester
V.	Treasurer's Report – Dr. Colbert-Cairns
VI.	ACTION ON A MOTION* Core Review Committee - Dr. M. Svogun
VII.	Results of "Top Priority" Surveys
VIII.	Initial Conversation on Top Priority #1
IX.	Scheduled Announcements (will begin at approximately 3:55 pm)

Library News – Ms. Emsellem-Wichowski
Diversity Task Force- update Dr. Colbert-Cairns
Adjunct Report (carried over from last year) Dr. Colosi
Curriculum Committee and SharePoint info - Dr. Arruda
Social Committee - Drs. Bloom and Moore
PhD program/Humanities Conference – Dr. Condella
Poetry of the Wild Project – Dr. McClanaghan

#### X. Other Business/Announcements

Adjournment\*

Please attend the UNIVERSITY SEMINAR EXPOSITION immediately following The Faculty Assembly Meeting in Ochre Court.

<sup>\*</sup>Denotes action items

**Quorum Count:** 

127 regular voting members

40%=51 members for quorum

1. Click 1/A

Lord, make me an instrument of thy Peace. where there is hatred, Let me sow Love; where there is injury, Pardon; where there is boubt, faith; where there is DesPair, hope; where there is Darkness, Light; And where there is sabness, Joy.

of Divine Master, grant that I may not so much seek to be consoled, as to console; to be understood as to understand; to be Loved, as to Love; for it is in giving that we receive; it is in Pardoning that we are Pardoned, and it is in Dying that we are born to eternal Life.

## Approval of the Minutes

## Speaker's Report

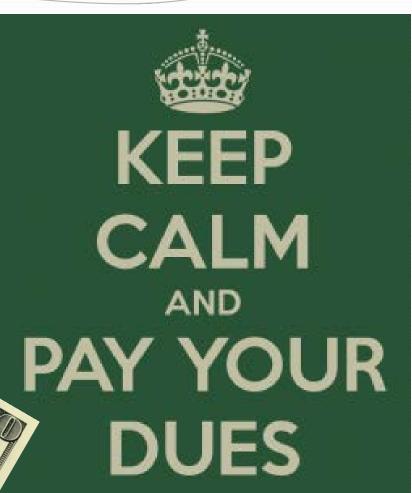
- Welcome
  - New Beginnings
  - The past informs the present
    - 1/64<sup>th</sup> of an inch
    - JACKPOT!!
    - Dominican Ideal

#### Initiatives

- "Top Priorities" Conversations
- Committee Responsibilities Review
- Faculty Manual Internal Review
- Faculty Mentoring Program

# Treasurer's Report





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1.	Yes	33%
2.	No	33%
3.	Abstain	33%

## "Top Priority" Survey Results

- Group 1:
  - Faculty governance
  - Diversity in hiring
  - Promotion and tenure
  - Workload
  - Academic Rigor
- Group 2:
  - Academic integrity
  - Diversity-curriculum
  - Graduate education
  - student./faculty scholarship
  - Career preparation

Combined groups

1st Workload

2<sup>nd</sup> Academic integrity

3<sup>rd</sup> Diversity-curriculum

4<sup>th</sup> student faculty scholarship

5<sup>th</sup> (tie) Academic Rigor

5<sup>th</sup> (tie) Promotion/tenure

5<sup>th</sup> (tie) Faculty governance

8<sup>th</sup> Career preparation

9th (tie) Diversity in hiring

9th (tie) Graduate education

## Initial Conversation on #1 Top Priority WORKLOAD

- Form small groups of 2 or 3 persons
- Gather some ideas of what this means to you
- Answer a few questions in your conversation:
  - 1a. What is (are) the most onerous part(s) of the workload?
  - 1b. What are some ways to make these less onerous?
  - 2. What important activities does our workload prevent you from doing that you would like to do?
- Listen to some responses in the large group
- Collect your ideas

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## Adjunct Professor Concerns Summary of Initial Results

Peter J. Colosi, PhD
Department of Philosophy
Liaison between adjunct professors and faculty assembly
(April 27, 2016)

## I received numerous responses

- Phone calls from adjunct professors
- Emails from adjunct professors
- Meeting with adjunct professors (Feb. 23, 2016)
- Minutes from past 2 years' meetings w/ adjunct professors
- Some full time faculty approached me with ideas

#### Concerns can be:

- Easily doable
- 2. Doable, but with effort
- 3. Not doable

#### The 6 areas of concerns

- 1. Information sharing/communication
- 2. Inclusion/Invitations
- 3. Mentoring of adjuncts
- Office Space
- 5. Benefits/"perks"
- 6. Contracts

### 1. Better information sharing

#### Adjuncts would like more information on:

- The advising process for students (Ans.: only FT advise)
- Department and University goals
- University resources for adjuncts (copy cards, gym, other services)
- Information from department chairs.

#### Possible solutions:

- AA does send an information letter (and other documents) with their contracts. Does the letter need revision? In conjunction with CTL?
- Occasional Newsletter to adjuncts (from Provost and/or department chairs)
  - AA would like to develop this.
- Create a best practices document as reference for Chairs

## 2. Inclusion/Invitations

- University website: Add adjuncts to department pages
  - Done!
- Invite adjuncts to some department meetings or other department activities?
- Commencement, Convocation, Christmas party, etc.
  - Convocation is open to all and there is ample seating.
  - Commencement, space is extremely limited.
  - Space is an issue for some events. (create a new event?)
- Many on campus events are open to entire Salve community

## 3. Mentoring

- Adjuncts expressed desire for:
  - Advice from experienced full time faculty
  - Regular departmental review of adjunct teaching
  - Thorough orientation for all new adjuncts
    - Ans.: This has been tried with little participation from adjuncts.
    - Perhaps a virtual orientation?

## 4. Designated office area (or space)

- Faculty suite (007) is great, but not sufficient
  - Could there be a place in each building for adjuncts?
  - Answer: Unfortunately, not at this time, focus is on FT faculty having single spaces.

#### 5. Benefits

- Higher pay: Roger Williams: \$4850; Salve: \$3600
- Increase teaching limits
  - Current: staff (8 credits/yr.); adjunct (12 credits/yr.)
  - Could adjuncts waive right to full benefits?
- Tuition remission for credit courses at Salve/audit for free (HR question?)
- Seniority system? Guaranteed courses, higher pay for length of service
  - (Ans.: This would require teaching evaluation)
- Recognition of/gratitude for loyalty
- Mailbox maybe in CTL (to receive desk copies, et. al.)
- Administrative/secretarial support?
- Adjunct emails: stop removing them from the system (Microsoft 365 solve this?)
  - Students want to write; letters of rec

#### 6. Contracts

- Other local universities are able to confirm contracts well before the courses begin; whereas at Salve, contracts often confirmed 5 days before course (occasionally contract arrives after course has begun).
- Our Adjunct professors prefer Salve, but need to secure contracts for financial reasons.
- Can this situation be reevaluated?
  - This is always a challenge
  - Can Chairs help in some way?

## Response

- The adjuncts who responded said these slides capture well their concerns.
- My role:
  - Just to collect/collate the concerns and possible resolutions
  - Share that with executive committee and faculty assembly
  - Pass that information on to those who are in the respective offices responsible for each
  - I very much enjoyed getting to know the adjunct professors, and now I see them on campus and chat.
- Feel free to write to me or call with ideas:
  - peter.colosi@salve.edu
  - x 3141

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#### 2016-2017 Curriculum Committee:

Thomas Arruda - Chair Jameson Chace Patricia Combies Debra Grosskurth Laurie Harper Louise Monast John Rok David Smith Sharon Stager Donald St. Jean

Proposal due date to curriculum committee	Vote/approval date at faculty assembly
Monday, September 19 <sup>th</sup>	November 2 <sup>nd</sup>
Monday, October 24 <sup>th</sup>	December 7 <sup>th</sup>
Monday, December 12 <sup>th</sup> *	February 1 <sup>st</sup>
Monday, January 16 <sup>th</sup>	March 1st
Monday, February 20 <sup>th</sup> **	April 5 <sup>th</sup>
Monday, March 20 <sup>th</sup>	May 3 <sup>rd</sup>

<sup>\*</sup>Proposals for new courses to run in the Fall 2017 semester are due no later than this date. Proposals received after this date cannot be added to the Fall 2017 schedule as per the Office of the Registrar.

<sup>\*\*</sup>Catalog changes are required to be submitted to the curriculum committee by this date for April approval.

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## FACSB -consider volunteering

- Jameson Chace (chair)
- Bernard Munge
- Esther Alarcon Arana
- Emily Colbert Cairns
- Sr. Patricia Combies
- Craig Condella
- Bert Emerson
- Carol Gibbons
- Robin Hoffman

- Anthony Mangieri
- Jon Marcoux
- Amanda Minor
- John Quinn
- Ernest Rothman
- Matthew Solomon
- William Stout
- Susannah Strong

#### Reminder:

**University Seminar Exposition**right here in Ochre Court after this meeting!!

#### Adjournment