

Villanova University Faculty Congress

Academic Year 2011-2012

Meeting of April 16, 2012

**Present**: Sohail Chaudhry, Q Chung, Rosario Drago, Rick Eckstein, James Glasgow, Judith Hadley, Edward Kresch, Michael Levitan, Michael Pagano, Salvatore Poeta, Bernard Reilly, Joseph Schick, Nancy Sharts-Hopko, Gaynor Strickler, Robert Styer, Thomas Way, Seth Whidden.

**Absent NIA**: Chiji Akoma, Wayne Bremser, Mary Ann Cantrell, Linda Copel, Joseph Dellapenna, John Groch, Christopher Haas, Sarvesh Kulkarni, Susan Mackey-Kallis, Letizia Modena, Barbara Ott, Paul Pasles, Elizabeth Petit de Mange, Paul Reagan, Paul Rosier, Louise Russo, Sridhar Santhanam, Mark Sullivan, Fayette Veverka, Maggie Wang, Kelly Welch, Joyce Willens, Peter Zaleski, Farid Zamani.

1. Welcome and luncheon
2. Invocation – Q Chung
3. Approval of the minutes
   * Corrections were made. The minutes were approved unanimously, as corrected.
4. Announcements and Committee Reports

* COF, APC, CNT, Adjunct Faculty reports attached to program.
* Spring 2012 Faculty Congress elections – Bob Styer reports the process is complete. A formal announcement of the results will be made shortly.
* An email from the VPAA was presented and discussed.
* Reorganization meeting May 4, Noon to 2:00 PM.

1. Changes to the rules governing undergraduates taking graduate courses (Ed Kresch)

* Discussion centered on the constraints on the policy that may be related to federal regulations. The APC will investigate to determine the facts and make recommendations.

1. On the Campus Currents (Michael Levitan)

* Policies/rules for the daily email newsletter *Campus Currents* were discussed. The Office of University Communication established these rules. It was the sense of those present that improvements should be made in these rules. It was moved that Ann Diebold be invited to meet with Faculty Congress to discuss these issues in the near future. – The motion passed unanimously.

1. Follow up on Sharts-Hopko Letter (Re: IRS Form 990)

* It was decided that the facts and the FC discussion be shared with the administration in order to begin addressing this issue.

1. Q Chung was recognized and thanked for his service as chair of FC for the last two years.
2. The meeting adjourned at 2:23 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Joseph T. Schick, Secretary