In attendance: Kevin Grubb, RaMonda Crosby, Liz Masucci, Meghan C. Smith, Jeff Schwarz, Kimberly Reilly, Kristin Barkdol, Katie Nadorlik, Corie Alicia, Liesel Schwarz, Rob LeBlanc, Annette Lucidi, Brendan Glackin, Fr. Joe Calderone, Regina Sorgini, Emily Irving, Chrissy Quisenberry, Lindsey Kriegel, Crispin May, Fr. Peter Donohue

Meeting Minutes:

1. Welcome & Reflection – USC Chair Emily Irving offered a prayer from the World Meeting of Families.

2. Discussion with Rev. Peter M. Donohue, OSA, PhD, University President

   Improvements to the Campus Landscape
   - Request for continued patience, cooperation, and flexibility as we move forward with this phase of improvement to the campus landscape.
   - The SAC parking garage project required a fair amount of preparation during the summer, hence the timing with current construction. Two additional layers will be added to this lot, doubling the current capacity.
   - The project will be completed in February.
   - The Parking garage planned for “Pike” lot will begin construction following graduation in May 2016.
   - There will also be parking lots added behind the administrative buildings on Lancaster Avenue, as well as behind the projected apartment buildings.

Office of the Provost
- Patrick G. Maggitti, PhD is settling in nicely to his new post.

Re-classification
- Every indication suggests that we will be re-classified within this academic year.
- Rankings concerns will not come into effect until a full year following our official reclassification, probably 2017.

3. Area & Committee Hot Points

Office of the Provost – Kevin Grubb
- As of August 1, 2015 Patrick G. Maggitti, PhD is Villanova’s first Provost. We are all excited for what his leadership will bring.
- The Career Center hosted its annual Fall Career Fair on September 9, welcoming over 180 recruiting organizations to campus and drawing more than 1,800 students and alumni to the Pavilion to connect with them.
Administration & Finance – RaMonda Crosby

- NovaPay Training System – if you haven’t been trained yet, sign up! Trainings are ongoing and the new system makes the process more convenient. For more information, visit: https://www1.villanova.edu/villanova/finance/procurement/novapay.html
  - You can use the system to upload receipts from your smart phone.
  - You can also bill other departments by submitting the Journal Entries function.
- Villanova has hired the university’s first Director of Investments, Shane McAndrew.

Athletics – Liz Masucci

- Mark Jackson appointed Director of Athletics.
- They broke ground on the West End Zone project – new weight room for all sports, football locker room and offices, as well as a development area for events.
- Looking forward to Parents Weekend Football game.

Auxiliary Services – Meghan C. Smith

- Dining Services is getting ready for Parents Weekend and the Pope Weekend.
- All information concerning Auxiliary services is available on the departments’ respective websites: Connelly Center, Dining Services, Graphic Services, University Shop, and Conference Services

College of Engineering – Jeff Schwarz

- The College again ranks #11 nationally among undergraduate engineering programs, according to USNWR. This is the College’s 17th consecutive year in the top 15.
- Dean Gabriele and two of our recent alumni are quoted in USNWR article (9/2/15) on the topic of engineering graduates who pursue alternate career paths.
- VCASE and VUSP director Rob Traver was interviewed about Hurricane Katrina for four national publications: Fox News, USNWR, Scientific American and GreenBiz.
- Dr. Nataraj has launched the College of Engineering’s newest research center: the Villanova Center for Analytics of Dynamic Systems (VCADS).
- Dr. Qianhong Wu has been awarded a $279,993 three-year grant from the National Science Foundation for research related to fluid dynamics.

College of Liberal Arts & Sciences – Kimberly Reilly

- Adele Lindenmeyr, PhD has been named Dean of the College of Liberal Arts & Sciences.
- Christine Kelleher Palus, PhD has been named Dean of Graduate Studies in Villanova University’s College of Liberal Arts and Sciences.
- Two new graduate programs announced: PhD in Theology and an MS in Environmental Science, both beginning Fall 2016.
- Theatre Department News:
  - EURYDICE & THE PAPAL VISIT: Student Life is offering a limited number of FREE student tickets to Eurydice performances during the Papal Visit Sept. 25-27 with the code VUPOPE. Descend into a mythical underworld replete with talking stones, Hades on a bicycle and a glowing river of the dead. In Sarah Ruhl’s fantastical reimagining of the classic Greek myth, we join unsung heroine
Eurydice as she parts with the love of her life, journeys into death, reunites with her departed father and struggles to relearn the language of the living. On stage Sept. 22-Oct. 4 in Vasey Hall. As always, Tuesdays are free for VU faculty, staff and students. All other performances are $11 (faculty/staff) and $8 (students). Call ext. 7474, stop by the box office at Vasey Hall, or visit villanovatheatre.org to buy your tickets online with the code NOVA.

JOIN THE DEAR EURYDICE PROJECT: If you could send a letter to someone or something you've lost, what would you say? In Sarah Ruhl's retelling of the ancient Greek myth, the dead and living are able to communicate through a series of letters. Inspired by the play, Villanova Theatre is accepting submissions for our own Dear Eurydice Project. We'll be collecting letters, doodles, postcards, photos and poems dedicated to anyone (or anything) you have loved and lost. The materials we receive will be showcased in the lobby during the production. To submit your materials, email us, drop by the Box Office at Vasey Hall or mail to us at Villanova Theatre, Vasey Hall, Room 5, Attn: Dear Eurydice Project, 800 East Lancaster Ave., Villanova, PA 19085.

College of Nursing – Kristin Barkdoll
- The College hosted a successful open house for high school students on Sept. 13, 2015.
- Sept. 16: RN to MSN Virtual Open House
- Sept. 29: Medication Safety & Empowering Nurses Beyond The Five Rights – first event in College of Nursing’s 20th Annual Health & Human Values Lecture Series.

College of Professional Studies – Katie Nadorlik/Angela Heinbach
- Deborah J. Tyksinski, PhD named founding Dean of CPS.
- The new College of Professional Studies website is: http://www.cps.villanova.edu
  - Our social media has joined too:
    - Twitter: @VillanovaCPS
    - Facebook: Villanova University College of Professional Studies
- Finally, any departments that link to our website may want to check to make sure their links are all still working since the switchover.

Enrollment Management – Corie Alicia (for Erin Spina)
- No Updates

Facilities Management – Liesel Schwarz
- Check out their newsletter here: http://www1.villanova.edu/content/dam/villanova/sustainability/2015 September.pdf
- Zero Waste Football Game – Sept. 24
- Nova Bike Share Program was launched this September.

Falvey Library – Rob LeBlanc
- Very successful One Book Lecture.
- One Book funding has been cut back, only freshman receive the book for free. Staff can pay a nominal fee (approximately $8)
Human Resources – Annette Lucidi
- Bev Das retired – responsibilities went to Ray Duffy
- Villanova HR Department won a top HR award for the Philadelphia region
  - 2015 Philadelphia Business Journal Award for the 1500-4999 employee category
  - 2015 CUPA Eastern Region Excellence in HR Practice Award
  - Most Fit Employer award
- Open Enrollment closed – 58 people signed up for the new consumer driven health plan

University Advancement – Brendan Glackin (for Judy Mulrow)
- Campaign update: $449 million, on our way to $600 million goal
- The Alumni Association sponsored New Student Sendoff events in 40 different cities across the country this summer to welcome the Class of 2019 students and their families to the Nova Nation. Over 400 new students attended these events, with over 1,300 attendees overall. We look forward to sponsoring this program each summer to help welcome our incoming students to Villanova!
- Save the date for Homecoming 2015, November 13-15. Saturday features Homecoming Festival on Sheehan Beach 12-3:30 and football game vs. Richmond at 3:30. All details online at alumni.villanova.edu. Any staff members interested in assisting at the Homecoming Festival, please contact Judith.mulrow@villanova.edu.

Law School – Megan Jacobs
- No Updates

Mission & Ministry – Fr. Joe Calderone
- Mass on Sunday of Papal Visit in the Connelly Center with communion

Office of the President – Regina Sorgini
- No updates.

Office of University Communication – Emily Irving
- Keep an eye out for the new Villanova Ad Campaign in Center City featuring wraps, bus shelters, and a digital ad on the Lit Building. The campaign was designed to share the Villanova story with visitors for the World Meeting of Families and the Pope’s visit.

Presidential Appointee—Chrissy Quisenberry
- Clergy invited to Papal Mass on Saturday will be parking in Law School lot
- Main lots reserved for SEPTA passengers on the high-speed line
- They’ve only sold 3,000, but they had the potential to sell 10,000.
- Working on housing staff that have to stay overnight – cots and amenities in the pavilion.
- Monday being held as an “emergency” day, call will be made on Sunday – worst case scenario a delayed opening.

Public Safety – Jon Vigile
- No Updates
School of Business – Lindsey Kriegel
- Daniel Wright, PhD named interim dean for VSB.
- IdeaBounce®
  - Monday, September 21 – 4:30pm
  - Idea Accelerator @ Falvey Memorial Library
  - Post your big idea at www.IdeaBounce.com/Villanova and select 'Venue to Pitch Ideas' under needs to be eligible to pitch. Come have fun, provide feedback and meet others interested in helping ideas move forward. You don't need to have an idea to attend. The event and reception are free and open to everyone.

Student Life – Amber Grier
- No Updates

UNIT – Crispin May
- UNIT had a very busy summer with over 1800 laptops refreshed.
- UNIT has been instrumental in the updates, renovation, and installation of technology in Old Falvey, including HD projectors and cameras.
- Here is a link to a new video that breaks down what UNIT has done so far and plans to do in the near future: [https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=oWiNKaiakRg](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=oWiNKaiakRg)

Committee:

Elections – Emily Irving
- University Senate Meeting will be held Friday, Sept. 18 at 1:30-3:00pm in Bartley 1010.

Communication – Judy Mulrow
- Most of the USC board’s pictures are up on the website. If you still need one please contact the Communications Committee

Staff Development – RaMonda Crosby
- LinkedIn Training Projected for October

Staff Recognition – Liesel Schwarz
- No Updates

Suggestions – Crispin May
- Received a few suggestions over the summer and are taking them to appropriate channels.

Community – Regina Sorgini
- No Updates

4. Villagnome and Misc.
- Father Peter was nominated and selected to receive this month’s Villagnome.
Next USC Meeting is Monday, October 12, 2015, from 2-3:30pm
St. Mary’s Conference Room

All are welcome!

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