I. Call to Order - Dr. James South at 3:07 pm.  
The members of the University Academic Senate Executive Council were introduced to the group.

II. Reflection - Dr. Marilyn Frenn

III. Approval of May 7, 2012 Minutes  
A motion was made to approve the presented minutes. This was seconded and voted upon. The minutes are approved.

IV. Action Items:  
- Status report on Committee on Diversity and Equity  
  Dr. Su noted that the name of the committee was approved without a charge in structure or charge. He recommended a discussion at the next meeting with the stakeholders about how to move forward. Other senators agreed that it was a good idea.

V. Chairperson’s Report - Dr. James South  
Statues should be referred to for the composition for the various committees and their purpose.  
  a. UAS Standing Committees (membership positions needing filled):  
     1. Faculty Council Senate Liaisons (2)  
     2. Committee on Academic Policies and Issues Senate Liaisons (3)  
     3. Committee on Faculty Welfare Senate Liaison (1)  
     4. University Board of Undergraduate Studies Senate Liaison (1)  
     5. University Board of Graduate Studies Senate Liaison (1)  
     6. Committee on Diversity and Equity (3) faculty members (selected by UAS Executive Committee)  
  b. Chairs for UAS Standing Committees  
     Still waiting for the names.

A task force will be formed to see if the changes to the University Academic Senate have been effective. What are we doing well and are there areas for improvement?

VI. Provost’s Report - Dr. John Pauly  
  a. Arts and Sciences Dean Search Update  
     Isaacson, Miller search firm has been hired. They met with the committee for about a day and half this summer. First round of reviews will be held in 3 to 4 weeks. Dr. Naylor is doing a good job. The group is currently on track to have an individual in place as of July 1, 2013.

  b. Enrollment Update  
     We had 22,896 applications for this freshmen class which was 3% higher than last year. As of the report this morning we have 1,943 freshmen who have sent in their deposits which is on pace with our 2010
enrollment. Last year’s class was larger but the decision was made to bring in a smaller class this year. Enrollment is up in the colleges of Communication, Education and Nursing. The transfer numbers are also less than last year; engineering enrollment of transfer students up from last year. We believe a big portion of the difference is the amount of financial aid available. Exact numbers will be available to share with the group next month.

Fr. Rossi wanted to know 1) is there a geographic bump of students from some area, 2) what about the net tuition revenue as the margin has narrowed during the last couple years and 3) was there a significant change in the number of students from the city of Milwaukee. Dr. Pauly explained final numbers would be available after the add/drop period. Answers to questions 1 and 3 could best be answered by Roby Blust or Anne Deahl.

Fr. Class inquired about the number of students coming from Jesuit high schools and how the feasibility study for a Cristo Rey school was going. The number coming from Jesuit high schools could be reported on by Dean Blust. The conference held here this summer regarding Cristo Rey did seem very promising.

c. Class Scheduling Policy (Contact hours)
No change in the policy except to add the Department of Education contact hour requirement which is an articulation of our current practice now documented in section 3 “Contact hours” of the “Course Scheduling Policy that was provided as an attachment.

Dr. Meyer indicated that preparation of the self-study shows that expectations need to be clearly articulated. HLC is concerned with courses around the country as there are now compressed courses that are only 2 or 3 weeks. They are looking for consistency. Marquette classes are 50 minutes long rather than an hour, and they are ok with that. It is assumed that 2 to 3 hours of outside work is needed for every hour that a student is in class.

A Senator noted that in Section III: Contact Hours d) Contact Hours Grid, 3) 3 credit, 4) 4 credit and 5) 5 credit should have the word ‘week’ replaced with the word ‘term’.

d. Strategic Planning Update
An announcement will come from Fr. Pilarz this week. There will be three to five themes which should resonate with you. A strategic plan coordinating committee will take these five themes and determine how they relate to what we as a university are doing and where we are headed.

Dr. Widera inquired if the college strategic plans and their ideas will surface in the five themes. Deans will discuss with their faculty how individual college plans align the themes that will be presented.

The Strategic Plan may result in a capital campaign but the university needs to look for other sources of revenue besides tuition. Revenue may come from grants, courses for the community, online courses; we need to look at the full range of possibilities. We should also be tough on ourselves in terms of our expenses in all university departments.

Dr. Frenn inquired about MATC as a source for increasing students. Dr. Pauly noted that a change in culture has resulted in the fact that technical colleges for many families is what they can afford rather than four year institutions. Within MU programs differ on how we accept or not accept transfer students to Marquette. When the barriers were set up 20 years ago they were appropriate, but these guidelines need to be reviewed. A senator wanted to know if transferring credit will be an obstacle for the core curriculum. Everything will need to be reviewed. St. Louis University adjusted their core for the transfer students. The core needs to be practical and inviting for transfers.

e. Other
• $100,000 travel money will be distribution by doubling the amount given with Faculty Development Awards by Dr. Hossenlopp’s office. Some of the funding will be used for research travel so the individuals can travel to archives. A pilot program will be established for sabbatical travel so the faculty
can have new and different. There is no matching requirement with funding that is obtained from a faculty member’s college.

- Dr. Goldzwig wanted to know if Fr. Pilarz was going to make a statement regarding the recent incident in the men’s basketball program. Dr. Pauly responded that Fr. Pilarz and the Athletic Director Larry William believe that academic excellence is the hallmark of Marquette. Mr. Mike Nielson, cross country coach, recently shared the fact that from that program there were 6 to 8 students going on to master or doctoral programs. This is the culture we want to build with all our sports teams. The violation was relatively minor. Dean Welburn asked that faculty remember not to type cast the entire men’s basketball team because of a coach or a couple of players. Dr. Deahl noted that when Larry Williams was hired Fr. Pilarz’s message was clear that he wanted quality programs. Dr. Thorn shared with the senators that reporting requirements on assaults and other crimes became much more stringent in the past year. Everyone now needs to report incidents to DPS, and they become part of the public record. An example of University of Kentucky was shared where it was ok to recruit freshman to play one year and then go to the NBA draft. This will not happen here at Marquette University.

- Gifts to the University: Advancement is still tallying the numbers from the summer and will provide a more robust report at the September meeting. But I can report that there has been a great stream of activity with the Dental School expansion campaign, including two separate $1 million gifts from a Marquette alumni couple as well as a Marquette alumnus. We are hoping to have more rather exciting news on the Dental School Expansion toward the end of this week.

VII. Vice Chairperson’s Report - Dr. Lea Acord
Report from Faculty Council
Dr. Lea Acord gave an introduction of the purpose of Faculty Council and presented the names of the Council members. She stated that the Council is in the process of reviewing their work for the year which they will share with the Committee Chairs and then post on the UAS website. The UAS Statutes state that the Council is responsible for setting up a Faculty Forum with the President at least one time a year. Dr. Acord will be contacting the President’s office to secure a date for early Spring semester.

VIII. Other Business
Chair Dr. South asked that you send him an email with any concerns or topics that you might wish to see at an upcoming meeting.
Secretary Dr. Thorn ask that you check the website to make sure that your information regarding term and position are correct. Please notify him of any discrepancies.

IX. Motion to Adjourn was made at 4:35 and seconded.