I. Call to Order at 3:05 pm

II. Invocation by Dr. Daniel Meissner

Members in Attendance: Dr. Albert Abena, Dr. Lea Acor, Dr. Robert Bishop, Prof. Bruce Boyd, Dr. Patricia Cervenka, Dr. Sharon Chubbuck, Mr. Joseph Ciccone, Dr. Wanda Cizewski, Fr. Michael Class, S.J., Dr. James Courtright, Dr. Robert Deahl, Dr. Evelyn Donate-Bartfield, Dr. Alexander Drakopoulos, Dr. Marilyn Frenn, Dr. Steven Goldzwig, Ms. Ann Hanlon, Dr. Jeanne Hossenlopp, Mr. Stephen Hudson-Mairet, Dr. Sarah Knox, Mr. John Krist, Dr. Christine L. Krueger, Dr. Cheryl Maranto, Dr. Daniel Meissner, Dr. Gary Meyer, Mr. Terrence Neumann, Dr. Alexander Ng, Dr. Kristy Nielson, Dr. Maureen O’Brien, Dr. John Pauly, Fr. Philip Rossi, S.J., Dr. Heidi Schweizer, Dr. Guy Simoneau, Dr. James South, Dr. John Su, Mr. Henry Thomas, Dr. William Thorn, Dr. G.E. Otto Widera, Dr. Joyce Wolburg, Dr. Wanda Zemler-Cizewski

Members Excused: Dr. William Cullinan, and Dr. Linda Salchenberger.

Guests Present: Dr. Kerry Egdorf, Fr. John Fitzgibbon, S.J., Dr. Linda Lee, Dr. Gary Levy, Mr. Dale Kaser, Mr. Tim O’Brien, Dr. Ms. Stephanie Russell, Mr. Dominik Tortoric (Tribune Reporter), and Ms. Janice Welburn

This year, the invocation will be assigned in reserve alphabetical order, starting with Dr. Wanda Zemler-Cizewski for the September meeting.

III. Approval of May 10, 2010 Minutes

Dr. Frenn made a motion to amend the minutes to include: Dr. Chris Krueger was elected chair of the UAS for 2010-11. She indicated that this statement would be inserted before: The meeting was adjourned at 5:42 pm.

Motion and seconded
None opposed. Minutes approved.

IV. Provost Report - Dr. John Pauly

Dr. Pauly asked the senate to keep Helen Boomsma, Senior Director of Development and Provost Liaison, College Advancement in its prayers. Her husband Michael, age 44, had a stroke this weekend.

He also reported that the President search is on track for early fall announcement.

Dr. Pauly announced that Karen Desotelle, from Student Educational Services received a grant from the Department of Education for $1.1 million over the next five years for students with disabilities. One-third of this sum must be used for low income students, and the remainder for programming, academic advising, mentoring, financial awareness, uses of technology and helping those who desire to transition into post graduate education. The program has a targeted enrollment of 25 freshmen annually for a total of 100 students over the four years grant period.

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He also announced that Marquette has initiated a new student retention program called MAP-Works® (Making Achievement Possible) that establishes an infrastructure to manage critical outreach efforts on our campus. MAP-Works® is a comprehensive web-based program that provides communication tools to manage and coordinate direct intervention with students. Based on student self-reports, it identifies at-risk students early in the term, thus allowing campus professionals to more quickly intervene with necessary assistance.

A pilot project will be launched this fall with 500 randomly-selected freshmen using the MAP-Works® program. Students will be invited to complete a short survey in the third week of the semester, asking them to self-report on their transition to college. By identifying students at this early stage who are uncomfortable or struggling academically, the university can more effectively offer assistance and intervene while an effective remedy is still possible. Participating students will receive immediate feedback from their reports as well as statistical comparisons with other MU students.

College associate deans, the A&S advising center, and hall director will also receive copies of the results so that they may contact students who appear to be experiencing difficulty and offer appropriate assistance. A 'check-up' survey in November before spring registration will offer a second opportunity to review student progress and again offer assistance where needed. If the program proves to be as successful as anticipated, it will be applied to the entire incoming class in the future.

The Provost has met with department Deans to develop a strategic planning initiative. The document was prepared in part for consideration by the new President, and will be released after discussion with Father Wild and Greg Kliebhan. If possible, it will be shared with the Board of Trustees at the September meeting.

V. Chair’s Report – Dr. Christine Krueger

Dr. Krueger noted that various faculty committees still have vacancies, and emphasized the role of all senate members to recruit colleagues to stand for elections. She reported that Dr. Barry McCormick will be the incoming chair for Committee on Committee and Elections (COCE).

Dr. Krueger introduced the new members of the University Academic Senate Executive Board, and announced that the group will be meeting with the Provost 12 days in advance of the monthly meetings to set the agenda. This will ensure distribution of the agenda and materials in a timely fashion so that members can inform constituents of upcoming proceedings. The Chair acknowledged the additional pressure this will place on committee chairs.

Dr. Krueger introduced the following new items and changes:

a. UAS website

The UAS website was proposed by last year’s Faculty Council, and developed by Dr. Ana Garner, Dr. John Jentz, Jan Harwig and Dale Kaser. The website includes the Chair’s statement, a description and membership list for the UAS and its standing committees, and relevant documents accessible via a search function. Dr. Krueger noted it is important for all senators to become familiar with the contents of the new website, particularly senate by-laws and statutes, and the document on shared government. She then introduced Dale Kaser, Special Assistant to the Provost, who conducted an orientation to the web site.
b. Schedule of UAS
   Senate meetings this year will include a series of 20- to 30-minute presentations by university officials. Fr. John Fitzgibbons will present a report on faculty development at the September meeting, and Mr. Chuck Lamb will speak about budgeting in October. At future meetings, Dr. Gary Meyer will report on undergraduate programs and assessment, and Dr. Jeanne Hossenlopp will speak on graduate programs and research.

c. Charges to committees
   All Standing Committees of the UAS have received charges for the coming year based upon the final committee reports from last year.

d. Progress on motion re: the A&S Dean Search
   Dr. Krueger expressed her gratitude to the Executive Board which met with Father Wild and Provost Pauly over the summer. These talks indicated progress on several key issues as outlined below. In light of the progress being made, the Executive Board does not support the pursuit of a motion of no confidence in Father Wild.
   Provost Pauly outlined four areas in which further work will be undertaken this year:
   1. Catholic intellectual issues
      Father Fitzgibbons, S.J. announced the following presentations:
      Thursday, October 7, 2010: Dr. Ron Hansen, Gerard Manley Hopkins Professor of Creative Writing at Santa Clara University - Title: “Making Things Up.”
      Monday, February 7, 2011: Reverend David Tracy, S.T.D., Distinguished Service Professor of Catholic Studies (Emeritus) at the University of Chicago - Title: “Naming God: Event, Form, and Fragment.”
      Tuesday, March 29, 2011: Sister Anne E. Patrick, Ph.D., Laird Professor of Religion and the Liberal Arts (Emerita) at Carleton College. - Title: TBA
      Department Chairs are involved from Theology and English.
   2. Lesbian, Bisexual, Gay and Transgender Issues
   3. Academic freedom
   4. Faculty Governance which has full support from the Provost Office

   The Provost has met with the Promotion and Tenure committee regarding academic freedom issues. He emphasized that nothing has changed for dossier presentations, and that faculty will not be penalized for their choice of research.

   The Provost has requested that Mr. Greg Kliebhan and Mr. Chuck Lamb set aside funding to invest in women and gender studies and for inquiry into the “Catholic imagination.” Dr. Pauly has also met with Dr. Amelia Zurcher, director of the Women’s and Gender Studies program, and Dr. Nancy Snow over the summer.

   Responding to an inquiry about reducing the amount of printed material required for UAS meetings, Dr. Krueger indicated that at future meetings, the agenda and shorter documents would be viewed electronically. Draft minutes will be distributed to senate members as soon as possible so that representatives can easily discuss them with constituents on a timely basis.

VI. Vice-Chair Report – Dr. Marilynn Frenn
   Faculty Council met on Aug. 24 and proposed a motion to amend the Bylaws to improve the election process. That motion will be introduced at the UAS meeting in Sept. for a vote in October. Dr. Frenn announced that all are welcome to attend Faculty Council meetings which will be held on Sept. 3, Sept. 24, Oct. 29 and Nov. 19 at 11-12:30 in Clark Hall Room 220. The Agenda for the Sept. 3 meeting will include planning for a Forum with Fr. Wild, and for addressing the remainder of the committee’s charge for the year.
VII. Report of Committees
Committee on Academic Policies and Issues

**Motion to Approve:** Policy on Final Exam Cancellations due to Severe Weather

This item was on the agenda twice last year and brought up for discussion. Due to more pressing agenda items, however, the motion remained pending.

The vote was taken: 36 approved, 0 opposed, and 1 abstention.

**The motion carried.**

VIII. The formal meeting adjourned at 4:14 pm, followed by a meet and greet reception.