Hello!

The following is our September update from our GSO student representatives to our faculty committees on campus. The purpose of having a graduate representative on our committees is to represent you, Marquette graduate students, but, also, to inform you as to what is happening within the university.

We will disseminate a monthly email with updated information about our committees. If you have any questions or concerns about a particular committee, please do not hesitate to contact our GSO student representatives. If you are interested in serving on a particular committee as a student representative during the 2013-2014 academic year, please contact the GSO at gso@marquette.edu.

1. **Board for Student Media**—Patrick Johnson
   - Introduced new members to the board, discussed budget and financial standing of student media, and then began a brief conversation on the restructuring of student media.

2. **Committee on Academic Policies and Issues**—Aishwarya Shankar
   - Haven’t met yet

3. **Committee on Academic Technology**—Maggie Cinto
   - Haven’t met yet

4. **Committee on Teaching**—Matthew Costello
   - Discussed two major awards given to faculty members during the 2012-3 academic year, the [Way Kilingler Award](#) and the [Teaching Excellence Award](#).

5. **University Academic Senate**—Greg Gillman
   - UAS will be part of [Strategic Planning Process](#) - at each monthly meeting the Senate will be discussing pieces of the strategic planning process. October will be a [discussion of the themes](#).
   - Please feel free to make your voices heard by [submitting your comments here](#).
- Enrollment update
  i. Freshmen class (budget for 1850, recruit 1950) looking like 1930. Last year was an exceptionally big freshmen class and caused some strain within the colleges.
  ii. Increased tuition revenue; increased diversity in class (25%); fewer transfer students than expected – cause is likely financial aid model
- Reaffirmation of Accreditation process with the Higher Learning Commission
  i. Dr. Eric Thomas will be visiting 9/27 for a "get to know you" meeting and will be meeting with GSO and MUSG
  ii. Preparation for that visit involves a "self-study" which has been drafted by 6 sub-committees – they are preparing drafts that will be presented to Board of Trustees in December, and to Marquette community in January; a third draft will be available in the spring based on feedback. A fourth draft will be made available in June/July for site visit.

6. University Assessment Committee—Michelle Nemer
   - Sharron Ronco and Michelle Nemer – progress of the Assessment Reporting Management System implementation and training for AT11-12 Assessment Reports
   - John Su – status of Assessing the Core Curriculum initiatives and progress
   - Work Plan focus for AY12 – 13
   - PALS workshop for new Program Assessment Leaders on September 21st

   - Haven’t met yet

8. University Library Board—Heidi Wacker
   - Haven’t met yet

9. Facilities Master Planning Committee—Katie Friesen
   - Restoration of three historical buildings