# Meeting Minutes Archive

## November 12, 1997

To: Members of the Corporate Faculty From: Secretary, Faculty Council

Subject: Meeting held in the Presidents Room, Marquette Center, WTC

#### #20. Meeting called to order by Professor Shoenberger at 3:08 P.M.

Opening Prayer offered by Dr. Wendy Cotter, Theology. Cardinal Bernardin and Georgia Struckhoff, wife of Dr. David Struckhoff, Criminal Justice were both remembered in prayer.

#### #21. October Minutes.

Motion: That the minutes of the October, 1997 meeting be approved with the correction that Dr. Sherri Coe Perkins was incorrectly identified as Ms.

Moved: Dr. A. Cardoza, History Seconded: Dr. M. Lawton, Fine Arts

Action: The motion passed unanimously.

## #22. Chairperson's Report.

A. Professor Shoenberger reported that the individuals recommended by Council to various University Committees had at least one individual recommended by Council is serving on the various university committees.

- B. Professor Shoenberger reported that the Ad Hoc committee on Governance is in formation. Dr. Micael Clarke reported that at the present time the following individuals have been chosen to serve on the committee: Dr. Micael Clarke, English; Dr. D. Geraghty, Law; Dr. L. Frey, Communication; Dr. C. Gold, Nursing; Dr. D. Holmes, Psychology; Dr. L. Salchenberger, Business; Dr. T. Austin, English; Dr. F. Hicks, Nursing; Dr. S. Jones, Physiology, Dr. A. Mallarius, Business; Dr. R. Hurst, Institutional Research; Dr. A. Safer, Education; Dr. A. Goldberg, Medicine-Clinical; Dr. C. Saari, Social Work, Dr. R. Walker, Executive Vice President. It was noted that each division of the University is represented.
- C. Professor Shoenberger reported on the status of Council representation at the Rome Center. He indicated that the minutes of Faculty Council had been e-mailed to the faculty at the Rome Center. He is unsure if they were received and distributed. We need to determine the status of the minutes. The situation in Rome appears to be still unsettled until the appointment of a new Director. The method of communicating with the Rome Center is still somewhat primitive. We use packet e-mail to communicate and that method is very slow.
- D. Professor Shoenberger reported that a member of the faculty, Dr. Bren Murphy, Communication, had responded to the articles in Crain's magazine. Her letter was published as a letter to the editor and appears as Appendix A.

# #23. Report of Dr. Barbara Leonard, Business Administration, on the latest Financial Statement.

- Dr. Barbara Leonard, Business Administration, made a report on the Financial Statement of the University. The figures involved compared the data for fiscal year 1996 and 1997. The full report appears as Appendix B. The report is divided into three areas:
- 1. The Academic Income Statement for the Lakeshore Campuses, including the Medical School and the Consolidated Income Statement for the above mentioned and the Medical Center;
- 2. The Academic Balance Sheet and the Consolidated Balance Sheet; and
- 3. The Academic Statement of Cash Flow and the Consolidated Statement of Cash Flow. We direct your attention to the first two pages of the appendix which indicate some of her conclusions. It was noted that despite the fact that we have on the Academic side no net income, we do have reasonable net assets. While reading the numbers in the report, remember that the figures are all given in Thousands of dollars. A careful analysis was presented to Faculty Council. The Consolidated Statements include the results of LUMC as well

as the Academic side of the University. On the first two pages of the appendix which indicates some of her conclusions. In general, the University's net assets increased by 4% from last year, and total revenues exceeded total expenses (before accounting adjustments) by \$24.3 million. In 1997, the University's operations provided \$32.5 million in cash, used \$102.4 million cash in investing activities, and raised \$40 million in cash through financing activities with a net reduction in cash of \$29.8 million.

Dr. Leonard was asked what the major concern is from the data presented. She indicated that the University is in good shape. We spend according to our mission. Concern was raised by a member of council that we had spent \$5 million for purchases around the Lake Shore Campus. What do we do with our Real Estate? Who determines the policies of our financial management? The answer given was that it rests with the Board of Trustees.

It was indicated that the Treasurer of the University, Dave Meagher will be present at the December council meeting. In the past, we had 4 separate managers who handled one quarter of the investments. For many years the net performance of the endowment surpassed that of other universities. At present, there is apparently a lower level of performance for the last few years. It was asked why the donation of the McDonald's Corporation was apparently applied to the Academic side?

Also under instruction costs, why is the figure so high for the General and Administrative section? Perhaps, one member noted, this may be where some of the depreciation was placed. It was suggested this may be a reasonable question for the president at the next meeting.

# #24. Visit of Dr. Sherri Coe Perkins, Vice President for Student Services.

Professor Shoenberger introduced Dr. Sherri Coe Perkins, Vice President for Student Services. Dr. Coe Perkins thanked the Council for the opportunity to come and speak to the council to tell about the offerings of the Department. She is honored to be part of the community. Student Services attempts to listen to the students, faculty and deans. The Student Affairs area complements the academic side of the university. It assists the students in reducing obstacles to the pursuit of academic excellence. Her area is in the process of offering less mystical services by making them more practical and visible. In the attempt to streamline the offerings, she desires to work with both faculty and students. In order to accomplish this, she requested that if any faculty have questions or suggestions that they feel free to e-mail her. Her interest lies in knowing how she may best serve the larger community.

# #25. Faculty Status Committee.

The report was given by Dr. Carrol Gold, Nursing. She indicated that Dr. Timothy Austin, English, Chairperson of the Faculty Retirement and TIAA-CREF Advisory Committee has a new proposal for the TIAA-CREF contributions which will be looked at and considered at the December meeting. In essence, the report requests consideration of a Guaranteed University contribution of 8% with an additional University contribution of 1% for a faculty match of 2%, and an additional University contribution of 2% for a faculty match of 4%. This would take place in the FY00 budget.

More data should appear in the December minutes. The proposal appears as Appendix C. The issue of comparability is to be examined.

# #26. Dr. Alan Gitelson, Political Science and Mr. Edward Warro, Acting Director of University Libraries.

Dr. Gitelson and Mr. Warro spoke to council about the search underway for a new Librarian. The Committee to seek the new Librarian has been formed. The position title has been changed to Dean of Libraries. The individual would be responsible for both the library system and the D'Arcy Gallery. It will no longer be a Vice Presidential position. The Dean will go to the Dean's meetings and present issues concerning the libraries and their budgets. The individual will also be responsible for the allocation of capital monies.

At present there is serious concern about space for the libraries. The issue is particularly acute at the Mallinckrodt campus where books have to be stacked on the floor as there is no shelving space. More space is also needed at the Science and the Cudahy Libraries. Despite moving to electronic resources, space remains a primary concern. The second issue is that of staff. Salaries for professionals and students is lagging behind. Downsizing remains a problem. Several years ago, the libraries had a Collection Development position, as all legitimate research libraries do. The position has been eliminated. Moreover, the library computer system is out of date and needs an update. At the present time no university decision has been announced as to when this might take place.

The guests were asked who makes decisions at the present time? Are academics involved in the decision making process like filling the Collection Development position. It was noted that the person previously in that position resigned in 1994. A petition to fill the position was rejected by the Administration.

The new dean will report to Dr. Wiser's replacement. It was further asked if the person will be presumed to be an entrepreneur like the rest of the new hires and if so is the job description correctly defined? It was answered that this will be a shared-service position.

It was made clear that Books are the primary concern of any good library. One council member noted that with the issue of governance on the table in the university, the issue of searches for new positions needs to be looked at more closely.

Dr. Gitelson and Mr. Warro indicated that public meetings for the Sr. Vice Presidential position are being held to discuss the issues involved. At the LSC only 12 faculty came to discuss the state of the library. A few more were at the meetings on other campuses. Dr. Gitelson specifically requested that the faculty communicate directly with him through e-mail their concerns about the position. It was noted that audio-visual services have been whittled down. In addition, the staff need upgrades on the 286 machines which are available to them.

They are still having to use 286 computers. More support is needed for funding. The periodical cuts need to be re-examined. In short, we need more shelving, newer computers and new software for the libraries which are central to education. It was noted that there are capitol budget requests for computers, software and shelving that need to be supported.

The Electronic Resources Committee is examining the issue of electronic journals. This may mean a significant increase in the budget for journal maintenance. The library board has a good relationship with the library staff; they desire a good relationship with the faculty. We all need to work together.

#### #28. Research Committee.

Dr. Leslie Fung, Chemistry, chairperson of the committee reported that the Research Committee requests a meeting with the Executive Committee of the Faculty Council to discuss a serious matter relating to Grants and Contracts of Finance.

#### #29. Physical Resources Committee.

Dr. Wendy Cotter, Theology, chairperson of the committee requested that the Committee Reports be given at the beginning of the next Council meeting.

Respectfully Submitted,

Dr. Thomas E. Ranck, Secretary

# **Members Present:**

#### **Professional Schools**

Dr. Lou Cain, Business Administration; Dr. Janis Fine, Education;

Dr. Carrol Gold, Nursing; Dr. Allen Goldberg, Medicine-Clinical; Dr. Edward Gumz, Social Work; Dr. Helena Gunnerson, Medicine-Clinical; Dr. Steve Jones, Medicine-Basic Sciences; Dr. Nick Lash,

Business Administration; Dr. Barbara Leonard, Business Administration; Dr. Ken McClatchey, Medicine-Clinical; Dr. John

McNulty, Medicine-Basic Sciences; Dr. Art Safer, Education;

Dr. Allen Shoenberger, Law

# Arts and Sciences

Dr. Ann Bugliani, Modern Languages and Literatures; Dr. Anthony

Cardoza, History; Dr. Micael Clarke, English; Dr. Wendy Cotter, Theology; Dr. Leslie Fung, Chemistry; Dr. S. Gabel, Theatre;

Dr. Fred Kniss, Sociology-Anthropology; Dr. Mary Lawton, Fine Arts; Dr. Joe Mayne, Mathematical and Computer Sciences; Dr. Gerard McDonald, Mathematical and Computer Sciences; Dr. Thomas Ranck, Theology

# FACULTY COUNCIL REACTION SHEET NOVEMBER 1997

THIS SHEET IS PROVIDED FOR YOU TO RESPOND TO THE VARIOUS ACTIONS TAKEN BY FACULTY COUNCIL.

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