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10/12/06 A & S Faculty Meeting Minutes—approved

Faculty in Attendance: V. Aggarwal, B. Allen, M. Anderson, G. Barreneche, P. Bernal, E. Blossy, A. Boguslawski, D. Boniface, E. Bouris, W. Brandon, S. Carnahan, A. Carpan, J. Carrington, B. Carson, R. Casey, J. Cavanaugh, J. Chambliss, D. Charles, M. Cheng, G. Child, E. Cohen, T. Cook, D. Cummings, M. D'Amato, C. Davis, D. Davison, K. Dennis, S. Easton, J. Eck, H. Edge, L. Eng-Wilmot, M. Fetscherin, R. Foglesong, E. Friedland, G. Gardner, L. Goj, E. Gottlieb, D. Hargrove, F. Harper, S. Hewitt, A. Homrich, J. Houston, G. Howell, R. James, P. Jarnigan, S. Klemann, M. Kovarik, P. Kozel, L. Kula-Gunter, H. Kypraios, C. Lauer, L. Lines, S. Mariotti, D. Mays, M. Mesavage, G. Meyers, J. Miller, A. Moe, B. Moore, T. Moore, R. Musgrave, R. Newcomb, M. Newman, A. Nordstrom, K. Norsworthy, S. O'Sullivan, T. Ouellette, T. Papay, J. Provost, J. Queen, D. Richard, D. Rogers, S. Rubarth, M. Sardy, J. Schmalstig, M. Shafe, J. Small, E. Smaw, S. St. John, P. Stephenson, D. Stoub, K. Sutherland, L. Tavernier-Almada, M. Throumoulos, L. Tillmann, R. Vitray, G. Williams, J. Yellen

Others Attending: Micki Meyer, Natalie Lochner, Sharon Agee, Sharon Carrier, Cynthia Wood, Cat McConnell

- I. Amended 5/3/06 minutes approved
- II. Recognition of new faculty
- III. Lisa Tillmann approved by acclamation as Vice-President and Secretary
- IV. Introduction of Standing Committee Chairs: Sharon Carnahan (AAC), Wendy Brandon (PSC), Larry Eng-Wilmot (Finance and Services), Pedro Bernal (Student Life)
- V. Announcements:
  - A. faculty party: 10/15; funds raised will go to Rollins Relief
  - B. J. Miller: library will conduct survey of services; all students, staff, faculty, 10-16 to 11-3; faculty are asked to participate and encourage students to participate
  - C. T. Cook/R. Casey: Evelyn Nicolosi is retiring after 28 years; reception on her behalf 10/16; T. Cook will write statement of appreciation
  - D. J. Houston: IRB committee has reviewed and approved 24 research projects, are developing website, in process of streamlining review and instituting electronic submission. Committee requests that we e-mail J. Houston if conducting research with human participants this academic year.
  - E. Boguslawskian Interlude: art show through 10/29, "Relative Fantasies"
  - F. R. Casey: introduction of Lisa Donatelli, new director of International Programs; announcement of major gifts to college (\$200,000 Arthur Vining Davis for curricular reform, 150,000 for collaborative research, 600,000 for Holt School Scholarships; 24/7 renovation of Ward Hall necessitates delayed start to next fall by one week
  - G. C. McConnell: faculty/student flag football, 10/26, common hour; need faculty players
  - H. K. Norsworthy: Margaret Wheatley (internationally recognized expert on leadership) conversation hour, 11/20 1:00, for faculty, staff, and student leaders

- I. C. Wood and J. Montage: last year raised 29 million dollars; currently not doing comprehensive campaign; doing instead a 5-year, 75 million dollar effort (22 million to date) targeting student and faculty development; request 1) identifications from faculty of potential donors, 2) direct contributions from faculty and staff, and 3) that faculty seeking donations work through development office
- VI. S. Carnahan: motion to consider major in Marine Biology. Proposal reviewed and forwarded by AAC and the Executive Committee. S. Carnahan overviewed reasons for major and major requirements. Three existing faculty have expertise; no new faculty needed. Will attract students into biological sciences. Biology faculty have provided 6-year schedule. MB major same size as Biology major. C. Rock: where are we going in terms of curricular review? Are we in for radical changes, or will we remain a major-based institution? H. Edge: Key question: where does faculty want to go? Changes in majors (e.g., reduction in required hours) will apply to all majors. T. Lairson: encouraged biology department to expand field study opportunities abroad. J. Small: looked at partnering with Duke University. Currently offer Barbados. Looked at Australia. Major issue: cost. C. Lauer: concerned about number of major requirements. C. Rock: we need more science education for all students. Historically, sciences have conformed with graduate program requirements. Should this be our primary purpose? J. Small: we do not require all courses needed for graduate school. M. Kovarik: MB enrollment at other schools? S. Klemann: significant interest expressed among biology students. Admissions believes they could recruit 10 students/cycle. Motion to call question approved. Motion to accept major approved.
- VII. E. Blosssey: update from 4Cs; website: [www.rollins.edu/4C](http://www.rollins.edu/4C); key questions: what skills, knowledge, and abilities do students bring to Rollins? What teaching formats do we currently use? What facilities and support systems are in place? Will be examining curricular models: alphabet soup, outcome-based, core curriculum, thematic, developmental. 4Cs looking at other schools' curricular models.
- VIII. L. Tillmann: recommendation from Executive Committee to allow hiring/tenuring into programs as well as departments. Change would support interdisciplinarity at Rollins and encourage us to move away from rigid departmental structure. J. Small: supportive of programs and interdisciplinarity, but problems have arisen in the past when faculty member does not have single location. L. Tillmann: in advance of hiring, programs would have to develop and have approved standards for tenure and promotion; early in the candidate's career, a CEC would be formed. As we move toward interdisciplinarity, we may hire scholars who do not fit neatly into existing departments. C. Lauer: another option would be to make interdisciplinary programs into departments. Motion to table approved.
- IX. Meeting adjourned at 1:45 p.m.