

ACADEMIC COUNCIL
MEETING of March 25, 2013
McKenna Auditorium
3:30 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.

Members present: John Affleck-Graves, Panos Antsaklis, Douglas Archer, Robert Bernhard, Thomas Burish, Maxwell Brown, Laura Carlson, Andrew Cernicky, Greg Crawford, Darren Davis, JoAnn Della Neva, Michael Desch, Kevin Dreyer, Nick Entrikin, Stephen Fallon, Tom Flint, John Gaski, Umesh Garg, Nasir Ghiaseddin, Stuart Greene, Roger Huang, Chris Maziar, Dan Myers, Nell Newton, William Nichols, Robert Norton, Hugh Page, Cathy Pieronek, Don Pope-Davis, Ava Preacher, Ramachandran Ramanan, Erinn Rigney, John Robinson, Maura Ryan for John McGreevy, Cheri Smith, Carter Snead, Ann Tenbrunsel, Zach Terranova, Alain Toumayan, Diane Parr Walker

Observers: Kevin Barry, Earl Carter, Chuck Hurley

Members and Observers excused: Erin Hoffmann Harding, Rev. John F. Jenkins, Jeff Kantor, Peter Kilpatrick, Michael Lykoudis, Thomas Pratt

Members absent: Don Bishop, Brendan Dolan, Margaret Doody, Dennis Doordan, William Evans, Marya Lieberman, Michael Masi, Ben Noe, John Polhamus, Neal Ravindra, Jeff Schorey, Yiting Zheng

Guests: Robert Easley--Mendoza College of Business, Tracey Thomas--recorder

1. Welcome and opening prayer:

Provost Thomas Burish opened the meeting at 3:30 p.m., welcoming members, and invited Prof. Stephen Fallon to give the opening prayer.

Almighty and merciful God, we thank you for this cold spring day, as we thank you for all days. We come to you today asking for your guidance, wisdom, and support as we begin this meeting. Help us to engage in meaningful discussion; allow us to grow closer as a group and nurture the bonds of community. Fill us with your grace, Lord God, as we make decisions that might affect the students, staff, faculty, alumni and friends of the University of Notre Dame. And continue to remind us that all that we do here today, all that we accomplish, is for the pursuit of truth, for your greater glory, and for the service of humanity. We ask these things in your name, Amen.

2. Minutes December 11, 2012 meeting

The minutes of the December 11, 2012 meeting were unanimously approved.

3. Proposal to Terminate the Entrepreneurship Major

Dean Huge Page reported that the Mendoza College of Business submitted the proposal to the Academic Affairs subcommittee on February 15th to terminate the Entrepreneurship Major. It plans to replace the Major with a minor. The proposal was reviewed and vetted, and then forwarded to the Executive committee which has brought it to the full Council today for a vote. Prof. Robert Easley, MCOB, is available to answer any questions of the Council.

As there were no questions, the Council voted on the proposal to terminate the Entrepreneurship major. The vote was unanimous in favor of the proposal.

As there was no further business and no new business proposed, the meeting was adjourned.