



VILLANOVA UNIVERSITY FACULTY CONGRESS  
Academic Year 2010-2011

Present: Akoma, Cantrell, Chaudhry, Chung, Copel, Eckstein, Glasgow, Groch, Kelley, Kresch, Kulkarni, Levitan, Mackey-Kallis, McWilliams, Ott, Pagano, Pasles, Petit de Mange, Poeta, Reilly, Russo, Santhanam, Schick, Sharts-Hopko, Styer, Whidden, Zaleski.

Absent: Bremser(nia), Dellapenna(nia), Drago(nia), Haas(nia), Hadley(nia), Karson(nia), McLaughlin(nia), Modena(nia), Payne(nia), Rosier(nia), Sullivan(nia), Veverka(nia), Wang, Way(nia), Welch(nia), Willens(nia), Zamani(nia).

The meeting of September 21, 2010 was called to order at 3:00 PM by the chair.

#### Invocation

- The invocation was given by Bob Styer.

#### Membership

- Current membership was reviewed. Members of the new Faculty Congress (FC) were introduced.

#### Announcements

- It was noted that members of the Faculty Congress participated in this year's Villanova Day of Service as a group and in other service groups.
- On the search for a Provost, the chair reported that two dean searches are under way, for the Law School and the College of Liberal Arts and Sciences. Current plan is to put the dean searches in full swing before the Provost search begins in earnest, mid academic year. No committee is in place at this time. The President expects enthusiastic participation of the faculty. The general sense of FC members is to answer this call pro-actively. Further discussion around concerns of timing concluded with a plan to speak with Fr. Donohue on this topic at the next meeting between the Committee on Faculty and the President.
- Actions on Full-Time Non-Tenure-Track (FTNTT) voting rights from the previous academic year were reviewed. A memo has been drafted and is awaiting approval from the previous FC chair. After that, the memo will be circulated to department and program chairpersons.
- AAUP Regional Conference will be held at Villanova University this year on Saturday, September 25, 8:30 to 1:30.

- The chair of the Committee on Faculty, Seth Whidden, reports that the current issues under discussion include the status of the *Facultas Award* and the need to address the numerous nominations of staff members who do not fit the criteria only because they do not serve in a capacity that extends to the university at large. A decision has been made to take steps to encourage college-level creation of awards to recognize these worthy nominees. Planning is underway to create a handbook for administrators that outlines best practices for chairs and directors. Finally, the committee is scheduled to meet with Fr. Donohue on Tuesday, October 19 at 4:00 PM. The Faculty Congress executive committee will also attend. Input from Faculty Congress for additional discussion topics was invited.
- The chair of the Academic Policy Committee, Susan Mackey-Kallis reported: The first meeting will be Monday, September 27. To be discussed are CATS (what do they measure, how to use them, analysis, checking variables that cause variations, etc.), student-requested additional reading days, and class sizes. The APC chair has met with Fr. Ellis to begin dialog with the VPAA.

#### Faculty Fridays

- Bob Styer presented the topic. There was discussion over whether there should be a more or less formal structure. General sense of the FC members is that there should be discussion of issues pertinent to the faculty at Villanova and that this can be initially done through an invitation email and informal discussion. Nametags are planned. It was noted that there are some conflicts with important campus events. The physical location was also discussed, leading to the suggestion that the space, when found, be named for Dr. Oliver Ludwig in honor of his long-time commitment to the Faculty Club at the university.

#### Villanova Football

- Rick Eckstein presented data from a variety of schools that is currently available (see attached document). There is a need to obtain further data because of gaps in what is available. In comparing different colleges and universities it is known that football operating expenses are not necessarily reported in a way that allows comparison. Some numbers can fall into categories outside the reported athletic budget. The expenses per player are many times higher than at Villanova in some of the comparisons. Villanova athletic expenses are lower than at other schools. But it is a larger portion of the operating budget compared to the larger football-intensive schools. The revenue side is hard to evaluate now because the budgets are frequently evened out between the various sports on a given campus. It is noted that there is no longer a government requirement to report at this level. (Some athletic scholarships may not be counted as part of athletics, for example.) There are title IX implications that would require Villanova to add 22 more scholarships for female athletes. In the report Rick listed the unknown costs

and the myths that usually are employed in support of expanding athletics. Finally, it was noted that there are no schools Villanova's size in 1A football.

- The understanding is that this push to change is being driven by the Big East working to improve its membership after the Big 10 has taken schools out of the Big East. This is a business decision for the Big East that does not necessarily overlap well with Villanova.
- Previously (1980s) the football program was terminated but reinstated. However, the 'football culture' on campus was not then very strong and remains in this state.
- The following MOTION was presented by Rick Eckstein and seconded by Ed Kresch.

WHEREAS the faculty need all relevant information to reach an informed position on Villanova's possible move to Division 1A football, WE REQUEST that pertinent university offices provide the Faculty Congress with all information on this topic as specifically delineated by the Faculty Congress Executive Committee, and request that no decision be made until the Faculty Congress has had sufficient time to thoughtfully analyze these data and provide an informed recommendation.

The motion passed UNANIMOUSLY with 21 votes.

The meeting was adjourned at 4:30 PM.

The next meeting of the Faculty Congress will be on Monday, October 18, 2010 at 3:00 PM in Bartley 1030.

Respectfully submitted,

Joseph Schick  
Secretary

FOOTBALL SPECIFIC

	VILL	MARQ	GT	RUT	UCONN	CINN
Players	91	X	100	125	107	103
Total Ath. Exp (millions)	25.7	26.6	29	54.1	58.4	35
FB Total Exp. (millions)	4.7	X	1.5 <sup>1</sup>	19.7	13.8	4.2 <sup>2</sup>
FB% of Total Ath. Exp	18	X	5	36	24	12 <sup>3</sup>
FB Op. Exp. /pp	7,025	X	2,600	44,505	44,717	40,728
# Asst. Coaches	10	X	10	11	11	11
Median Asst Coach Salary (000s)	45	90 <sup>4</sup>	40	93	113	86
ATH/ % Op Budg	6.6	8.1	2.9	3.0	5.9	3.5
FB/% Op Budg	1.2	X	.2	1.1	1.4	.4 <sup>5</sup>

<sup>1</sup> GT currently plays in the smaller Patriot League

<sup>2</sup> This does NOT include scholarships and other non-operating expenses

<sup>3</sup> This is affected by the issue listed in note #2.

<sup>4</sup> This is high because there are fewer “minor ports” at MQ to temper the high cost of BB assistant coaches

<sup>5</sup> unreliable data point

### Title IX Issues

	<b>VILL</b>	<b>MARQ</b>	<b>GT</b>	<b>RUT</b>	<b>UCONN</b>	<b>CINN</b>
Undergrads	6602	7599	6587	26,382	16,013	17,214
M-F ratio	49-51	47-53	46-54	51-49	50-50	52-48
M-F athletic participation (#s)	296-250	98-110	474-339	334-299	320-313	274-178
M-F athletic participation (%)	54-46	47-53	58-42	54-46	51-49	61-39
M-F scholarship allocation (%)	53-47	40-60	45-55	54-46	50-50	58-42
M-F recruitment expenses (%)	71-29	81-19	64-36	63-37	71-29	61-39

## WHAT VILLANOVA WOULD NEED: KNOWN & UNKNOWN

1. 44 new scholarships (22+22) = \$2.2 million (+ books)
2. More expensive coaching staff/admin staff for FB
3. Additional coaches and support for **new womens sports**
4. New training facility @???
5. Big East entrance fee @ ???
6. Increased academic support services @ ???
7. Stadium rental @ ??? Revenue sharing @ ???
8. Increased insurance costs @ ???
9. Minimum attendance of ??? or penalty of ???
10. Exit penalty @ ???

## **Some Popular Myths about Higher-Level Sports**

- brings in more revenue
- brings in more alumni contributions
- increases applicant pool
- increases school spirit
- increases visibility
- subsidizes academic mission

### SOCIOLOGY/CRIM JUSTICE (vs. FOOTBALL)

#### **COSTS:**

16 faculty + 3 staff @ \$1.3 million  
operating expenses @ \$35,000

#### **REVENUES:**

2,400 students taught @ \$3,829 per seat = \$9.2 million

**SURPLUS:** \$7.9 million

amazingly though, our M.A. program was terminated due to lack of funding.

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