College of Liberal Arts and Sciences Faculty Council Meeting July 10, 2007

Members Present: Caroline Morgan, John Klein, Robert Aguirre, Roslyn Schindler, Steve Spurr, David Coleman, Catherine Jen, Charles Parrish, Larry Lombard, Hans Hummer, Bob Reynolds, Brad Roth, Avis Vidal

Attending: Robert Thomas, Dave Njus, Joe Kieleszewski, Paul Clemens, Caroline Brzuchowski

Absent With Notice: Arthur Marotti, Boris Baltes, Marvin Zalman, Mark Ferguson, Eric Ash

The meeting was called to order at 10:00.

The minutes of the May 3, 2007 meeting were approved.

The dean explained that he called a special meeting of the Faculty Council in response to President Reid's recent e-mails to the campus explaining the gravity of the university's budget crisis. Though the dean was unsure what the exact cut to CLAS might be, he said that a \$25 million cut to the university was possible, and that, with CLAS receiving roughly ten percent of the university budget, a \$2.5 million cut to the college was not out of the question.

After some general discussion, council agreed that a sub-committee should be formed to advise the dean on possibilities and priorities for the CLAS budget cuts. It was further agreed that the committee should consist of one member from each of the four divisions in the college. The committee members named were: David Coleman (Physical Sciences), Charles Elder (Social Sciences), Marlyne Kilbey (Life Sciences), and Arthur Marotti (Humanities).

The meeting adjourned at 11:30.