College of Liberal Arts and Sciences—Faculty Council Meeting December 03, 2015

Members Present: Lisa Maruca, Tausha Beardsley, Claudio Verani, Ed Golenberg, Larry Lombard, Jennifer Wareham, Lara Jones, Ashis Mukhopadhyay, Charles Parrish, Yifan Zhang, Kevin Cotter, Zachary Brewster, David Merolla, Barry Lyons

Attending: Wayne Raskind, Peter Hoffmann, Paul Clemens, Caroline Brzuchowski, Robert Aguirre, Donald Haase, Heather Dillaway

Absent With Notice: John Klein, Geoffrey Nathan, Elizabeth Faue, Avis Vidal

The meeting was called to order at 9:05.

The minutes of the November 12, 2015 meeting were approved.

Wayne Raskind spoke of IBio, noting that he is now serving on its core steering committee. He said that he wanted to be on the committee both to make sure that the best interests of the college are served and—since many of the hires in IBio will be joint appointments—because he has experience with such hiring.

Raskind also noted the financial difficulties in the medical school. Charles Parrish explained those difficulties in greater detail, saying that the school has a deficit in the tens of millions and that it has been losing several million a year for some time. He added that the medical school now has solid leadership.

Raskind noted that, despite its problems, the medical school brings many benefits to the main campus, including the fact that, were it not for the medical school, WSU would not be a Research One university.

The meeting adjourned at 10:00.