

**JOHN CARROLL UNIVERSITY
PROVOST'S COUNCIL**

John Day, Lauren Bowen, Jeanne Colleran, Sherri Crahen, Barbara D'Ambrosia, Roy Day,
Kathleen Dean, Dwight Hahn, Jim Krukones, Anne Kugler, Mark McCarthy, Sheila McGinn,
Paul V. Murphy, Karen Schuele, Brian Williams, David Wong.

April 25, 2014
Minutes

Present: J. Day, L. Bowen, J. Colleran, S. Crahen, B. D'Ambrosia, K. Dean, J. Krukones, M. McCarthy, K. Schuele, B. Williams, D. Wong.

J. Day convened the meeting at 3:35 p.m.

The Minutes of the April 9, 2014, meeting were approved.

J. Day noted that the first agenda item regarding NAC&U Ambassador would be postponed until faculty representation is in attendance.

K. Dean thanked J. Day on behalf of the Provost's Council, noting that the Council was one of the most visible of his accomplishments as Provost and Academic Vice President. She further noted that the Provost's Council reflects his commitment to Jesuit ideals of educating the whole student and improving the student experience.

K. Dean reported on recent work done on the University Learning Goals. She noted that she and M. McCarthy worked to create a framework which encompassed both academic affairs' and student affairs' learning goals. There had previously been robust discussion on how to talk about the goals and other ways to categorize them. Beyond the categorization of "Understand the religious dimension of human experience," the groupings seemed to make sense. She asked for ideas from the group.

B. Williams asked about the intended audience for the information, noting that the audience informs how we would talk about the issue, citing differences for prospective students or faculty. M. McCarthy noted that ideally we would have something that worked for multiple groups. It was noted that the five headings were more easily used universally, while the bulleted items were more internal. It was noted that the goals flow from our mission of who we say we are and what we care about, and helps inform more broadly on campus what we want to do so all sides of campus can work together. It was noted that it takes the entire community to educate the students.

There was discussion and suggestions for a different hierarchy of the goals, from internal to external. It was noted that the bulleted items might be described more holistically in sentence/paragraph form. The absence of wording on self-reflection was noted.

J. Day noted that he thought that what we have now is an acceptable and a commendable framework, which accomplishes our goal to bring together the faculty-approved academic learning outcomes and Student Affairs outcomes, and speaks to the whole of the student experience.

K. Dean noted that the goal for today was to see what we needed to do to move forward. It was suggested that the framework should be shared with Student Affairs to see if it was still reflective of what they want/should be doing. S. Crahen agreed, noting that it would be good for Student Affairs to have an opportunity to revisit their goals.

There was discussion regarding the ownership and assessment of the combined goals. It was noted that evidence of accomplishment could come from areas other than classroom experience. It was further noted that students see their education as coming via class or non-class experience; they don't think in terms of Academic Affairs or Student Affairs.

B. D'Ambrosia reported the upcoming implementation of a new learning management system, which has the capacity to utilize portfolios, designed to be something separate from student course work, and including co-curricular materials.

J. Day confirmed that M. McCarthy and S. Crahen will share the document with Student Affairs, to give them the opportunity to revisit their own learning goals. There will also be an upcoming UPG meeting at which the document could be mentioned. It was also noted that the John Carroll community would be the first audience for the completed document.

J. Day confirmed with B. D'Ambrosia that the faculty approved A. Kugler being appointed as John Carroll's ambassador to the NAC&U.

The meeting was adjourned at 5:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Barbara Lovequist