

**JOHN CARROLL UNIVERSITY  
PROVOST'S COUNCIL**

Jeanne Colleran, Emily Butler, Sherri Crahen, Margaret Farrar, Sr. Katherine Feely, SND, Jean Feerick, Martha Mondello Hendren, Jim Krukones, Peter Kvidera, Mark McCarthy, Al Miciak, Michelle Millet, Terry Mills, Maryclaire Moroney, Ed Peck, Nick Santilli, John Sully, Peifang Tian, Brian Williams, David Wong.

February 1, 2017

8:30 a.m.; CAS Dean's Conference Room

Minutes

Present: J. Colleran, E. Butler, S. Crahen, M. Farrar, K. Feely, J. Feerick, M. Hendren, J. Krukones, P. Kvidera, M. McCarthy, A. Miciak, M. Millet, T. Mills, M. Moroney, P. Mullane, E. Peck, N. Santilli, J. Sully, P. Tian, S. Vitatoe, C. Wenzel, D. Wong

J. Colleran opened the meeting by welcoming Patrick Mullane, the new Assistant Vice President and Executive Director of Career Services. All in attendance then introduced themselves.

J. Colleran directed everyone's attention to the handout on University governance that had been disseminated via email prior to the meeting. It focuses on changes proposed by the University Committee on Collaborative Governance (UCCG), the subject of a community conversation later today. The changes will affect the structure of University committees. The four principal committees outlined in these changes—the Committee on the Student Learning Experience (a reconstituted version of the Provost's Council), the Committee for Resource Allocation and Prioritization, the Committee on Administrative Policies and Programs, and the Committee on Educational Policies and Programs—all will flow into the University Strategic Planning Group (USPG). All of these committees are intended to be strategic and to improve our overall performance. Membership will vary from committee to committee, so not everyone will serve on every committee. J. Colleran emphasized that it is the right and duty of University leadership to determine which committees are sites of deliberation and planning. As the changes are implemented, some current subsidiary committees will drop away while others will remain; in addition, altogether new ones may be added. M. Farrar suggested that the new structure will bring about better interaction between faculty and administration, which J. Colleran identified as one motivation for the renovation. P. Tian asked what the link of the new Committee on Educational Policies and Programs would be to the Faculty Council's Committee on Academic Policies (CAP). J. Colleran replied that there are policies and initiatives that do not go through CAP. EPP would tend to deal with more specific matters. Furthermore, the University is unusual in not having had such a committee to date. The UCCG is seeking clarity in governance and also alignment in University manuals. M. McCarthy thought that the Student Affairs division needed to be represented on the Educational Policies & Programs Committee. J. Colleran asked whether the name of the committee should use the term "academic" instead of "educational"; her suggestion elicited general support from the PC. P. Tian also asked whether minutes of these several University committees would be posted and whether there would be a way to offer input.

J. Colleran said that the new committee structure is intended to bring accountability to the University. Having secured the endorsement of the PC for the committee revision, she now intends to visit the Faculty Council and Staff Council. When she asked about the possibility of paying a visit to the Student Union as well, members of the PC encouraged her to do so. She envisioned that we will start setting up the new committees and dealing with their charges after spring break.

E. Peck announced that the next PC meeting (on February 15) will include an update on the subcommittee on Diversity, Equity and Inclusion, with particular attention to the recent address by Bishop Braxton of Belleville, Illinois. The bishop met with members of Black Students in Action (formerly the African American Alliance). T. Mills said the DEI met recently regarding key performance indicators and asked how they would be rolled out.

J. Colleran said that, going forward, we would keep PC meetings crisp and focused, limiting them to 75 minutes in length.

The meeting concluded at 9:40 a.m.

Minutes recorded by J. Krukones