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| **Faculty Congress Minutes** |
| Minutes of the 18 April 2007 Faculty Congress Meeting in the Devon Room, Connelly Center  Announced Agenda: A Conversation with the Deans of Arts and Sciences and Nursing  Present: Chung, Conn, Gustafson, Kresch, Kulkarni, Mobasseri, Mulroney, Olsen, Sharts-Hopko, Schick, Styer, Welch, Willens.  Guests: Robert Devos, Louise Fitzpatrick, Catherine Hill, John Johannes, Gerald Long, Robert Morrow.   The meeting opened at 4pm.   The Chair announced that the Dean of Arts and Sciences, Fr. Ellis, was sick and he welcomed Associate Deans DeVos and Hill, Graduate Dean Long, and VPAA Johannes, who came to represent Fr. Ellis.   The Chair then turned the floor over to the Nursing College Dean, Dr. Louise Fitzpatrick.   Dean Fitzpatrick gave an overview of the major interests of the nursing college, including international involvement and the changing nature of the nursing profession. She then entertained questions on the new Ph.D. program and interdisciplinary initiatives and interactions.   The Chair then turned the floor over to Associate Dean of Arts and Sciences, Dr. Catherine Hill. She discussed new initiatives such as several interdisciplinary programs and the core curriculum discussions. Graduate Dean Long then discussed the strengths of the arts and sciences graduate programs, including five year programs and certificate programs. They then fielded numerous questions from the attendees.   The meeting adjourned at 5pm. |
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