

## Villanova University Senate Committee on Mission and Social Justice

**Minutes:** First Meeting of the Committee on Mission and Social Justice, Wednesday, September 8, 2010 in the St. Augustine Center, Room 104

**Present:** Dr. Rick Eckstein, Mr. Thomas Mogan, Dr. Mary Angela Papalaskari, Dr. Bernard G. Prusak, Mr. Daniel Tropeano, Ms. Joanna Bowen, Ms. Diepiriye Anga, Ms. Bridget Halligan

**Absent:** Dr. Teresa A. Nance, Ms. Irene King, Dr. Elizabeth Petit de Mange, Dr. Mark Graham, Mrs. Antonia Allsman, Mr. Brian Galloway, Mr. Greg Sleasman, Mr. Harshil Patel

**Since Added:** Rev. Joseph Farrell, OSA

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Agenda:

- I. Elect a Chair of the Committee on Mission and Social Justice (MSJ)
  - II. Review the Resolution on Progressive Tiered Parking Fee Structure for Faculty and Staff
  - III. New Business
  - IV. Meeting Schedule
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The acting chair, Dr. Bernard Prusak, called the meeting to order by welcoming all new members. Ms. Bridget Halligan was designated as taker of minutes.

### I. NEW CHAIR

The Committee unanimously decided on Dr. Bernard Prusak to serve as the chair of the Committee on Mission and Social Justice.

### II. RESOLUTION ON PROGRESSIVE TIERED PARKING FEE STRUCTURE FOR FACULTY AND STAFF

Dr. Prusak distributed copies of the draft of the Resolution on Progressive Tiered Parking Free Structure for Faculty and Staff. Dr. Papalaskari is going to review the numbers. It was agreed that the primary function of the new structure is to aid lower-paid employees in the interests of fairness. Environmental concerns also figure. Dr. Prusak will rework some of the language and formatting of the Resolution and redistribute it to the Committee. The changes will include:

- a. Reordering the first WHEREAS clause to emphasize our primary concern;
- b. Removing the third WHEREAS clause comparing the University's parking fees to those of peer schools;
- c. Moving the final WHEREAS clause, describing the economic burden on lowest-paid Villanova employees, to be the second clause of the Resolution;
- d. Editing the second endnote to remove the phrase "revenue neutral."

### III. NEW BUSINESS

The Committee discussed the following items:

- a. Allowing adjunct professors to buy into the benefits package
- b. Fair trade coffee on campus
  - i. Ms. Joanna Bowen to begin research on this issue
- c. Living wages and just compensation for all Villanova employees
  - i. Ms. Bridget Halligan to begin research on this issue

### IV. MEETING TIMES

The Committee decided to meet three times per semester. Date, time, and place will be determined.

Respectfully submitted,

Bridget Liberty Halligan  
Student Member  
September 10, 2010