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**EX-OFFICIO:** Marcia Dalbey, Provost's Office.

**GUESTS:** Patrick Melia; Deb deLaski-Smith, Grad School.

**ABSENT:** BIOL, FLABS, INDT, L&C, MGMT, SWK, WMST.

I. The meeting was called to order at 3:08 p.m.

II. The minutes of 4/18/01 were approved with the correction of the last sentence in III.

III. Committee Reports: (a) There is a Committee for the President's House. The house is projected to be just under ten thousand square feet of which 2500 square feet will be private living quarters. "The house is designed for friend and fund raising." Detailed information on financing has been requested. (b) Three national searches have been completed with the following results. Dr. Paul Schollaert has been selected as Provost, Dr. John Shorrock has been selected for the Vice President for Advancement and the Executive Director of the EMU Foundation, and Jim Vick was selected as Vice President for Student Affairs. In addition, Margaret Cline, formally the director of University Computing, was promoted to Chief Information Officer. (c) Bette Warren, Chair of Budget and Resources, presented the Spring/Summer annual update. (d) Jeff Armstrong, Chair of the Intercollegiate Athletics Advisory Committee, reported that the grades of athletes have improved over the last year and the overall grade point has risen. FC members were encouraged to e-mail suggested changes for the grade report forms to Jeff. (e) Alida Westman, our Parking Committee representative, reported that "no agency on the campus seems to be responsive to parking problems and that there still are parking problems." The entire report will be e-mailed to FC members.

IV. Action Item: Freshman Seminar Selection Committee: Jessica Alexander, CTA, was appointed as the faculty representative.

V. Action Item: Academic Affairs Division Strategic Planning Document: The Council discussed the Academic Affairs planning goals and the structure of the document.

Members offered many suggestions for changes in the document. The last half of the meeting was a discussion of the procedure and process for handling both documents. The Council agreed to e-mail the following to President McCracken before the next meeting: (a) An assessment of the Academic Affairs Strategic Plan and the Planning Goals, (b) An assessment of the initiatives in sections 1-10, and (c) An assessment of the crosscutting committee reports.

VI. The FC enthusiastically supported a recommendation to send letters of appreciation to Interim Provost Michael Harris, Director of Academic Budget and Operations Susan Moeller, and Interim Associate Vice President for Academic Affairs Marcia Dalbey for their exemplary work under difficult circumstances after Provost Collins' death and for their extraordinary productive and collaborative relationship they have built and maintained with Faculty Council. The Council also requested that President McCracken send a letter of congratulations and thanks to Dr. Donald Bennion for his excellent compilation of our NCA report which resulted in reaccreditation.

VII. ANNOUNCEMENTS: The next FC Meeting will be on May 23, 2001, from 3-5 p.m. in the Tower Room of McKenny Union. The goal of the meeting is to compile and vote on the input for the Academic Affairs Strategic Planning Document and the feedback for the Crosscutting Committees.

The first meeting of the Fall term will be on Wednesday, September 5, 2001, from 3-5 p.m. in the Tower Room. The major business will be a discussion of the University Strategic Plan.

VIII. Adjournment: The meeting adjourned at 5:05 p.m.