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**Academic Policies Committee**  
**April 10, 2003**

**Minutes**

In attendance: Davie Biers, Paul Eloie, Kevin Hallinan, Linda Hartley, Pat Johnson, Pat Palermo, John Rapp, Joe Saliba

The meeting was called to order at 1:30 p.m. by John Rapp, committee chair

1. Report on mission and goals of the first year experience

Pat Palermo reported on revised goals for the university first year experience. The program has improved since its inception, with two divisions now offering the first year experience course over a two semester period. The goals involve six broad categories: Catholic Mariainst identity, academics, learning in community, moral and ethical development, building learning skills, and developing talents. The committee was pleased with the progress experienced with this program.

2. Report on general education

Pat Johnson provided a thorough review of various aspects of general education, especially the thematic clusters. Last fall the APC agreed to design a plan this semester to evaluate thematic clusters next year. The current APC, however, found this unnecessary. Since Pat is still new in her position, and since she is making what the committee feels is excellent progress in resolving cluster issues, the committee thought it best to let Pat continue her progress and make a report at a later time. The committee was pleased with what she has accomplished to date.

3. Select calendar committee proposal

The committee was pleased with the charge for he select calendar committee and made only minor wording changes. Membership solicitation for the committee will now commence.

JR  
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