

Parent and Family Advisory Council Meeting Minutes
Thursday, October 19, 2006
7:00 PM
Minneapolis Room – Christensen Center

Attending: Sally Daniels, Debbie Connolly, Dennis Connolly, Vicki Matzke, Al Matzke, Laurie Leonhardt, Chuck Sletten, Charmayne Sletten, Katherine Sanders, Dolly Bunke, Pat Hayes-Kaufman, Sue Thomas

The meeting was called to order by President Vicki Matzke at 7:05 pm.

Introductions were made and the September minutes were approved and seconded.

Our speaker for the evening was Barbara Edwards Farley, Vice President for Academic Affairs and Dean of the College.

In 2002, the Augsburg faculty approved a new core program which was built around the Augsburg mission statement. It encompasses the signature curriculum and skill requirements. The religion requirements include 2 courses in the freshman and 2nd year. The religion department developed the courses.

The Augsburg Experience is a piece of the freshman year studies, which puts theory into practice. The Experience includes student learning by incorporating the following aspects into the program:

1. City involvement
2. Study abroad
3. Intense domestic immersion
4. Research Project
5. Internship/service learning.

When students become seniors, they participate in “Senior Keystone”, which is a course that bookends their Augsburg education by bringing everything together.

The assessment of student learning doesn’t benchmark against other colleges.

Homecoming went very well this fall. Next year the ticket booth will be moved so that it will be closer to the serving lines.

The Inauguration of President Pribbenow will be held on Friday, August 20. It begins at 2:00 pm in Melby Hall. Parking is available in the Fairview lot for free.

Tickets for vespers are available on-line at www.augsburg.edu/vespers. There will be a sign up for ushering at the November meeting.

Sally reported that the job postings have increased in the Augsburg website. Please check it periodically to see if any new jobs are posted.

Next meeting: Thursday, November 16 at 7:00 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Debbie Connolly
Parent and Family Relations Council Secretary