

# June 5, 2002

## Minutes of the General Faculty Committee Meeting Held at Va Pensiero

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**Members In attendance:** Robert Decker, Mario Ruggero, Hamlin Jennings, Alice Eagly, Abraham Haddad, Daniel H. Garrison, Robert (Bob) E. Ten Eick, Ph.D., Bill Halperin, John Elson, Maud Hickey, Al Hunter, Debbie Brauer, Diana Snyder

### **Subcommittee Updates**

Committees need to send a paragraph containing updates of specific topics being addressed. Subcommittee chairs should be identified so that the October meeting is meaningful.

### **Athletics vs. Academics**

Hamlin Jennings was made aware of a situation in which an athlete's required academic schedule and the athletic practice schedule conflicted. The student was given an ultimatum to either drop the class and major or not be part of the team. She chose the academic route resulting in the student being kicked off the team and losing her athletic scholarship.

### **Thoughts and suggestions**

New subcommittee to be formed dealing specifically with athletic affairs. Focus of the committee should not be specific to individual cases but instead to look at the overall priorities of coaches and athletes and how they relate to academics.

### **Conclusion of meeting:**

Items to be addressed in the fall:

1. Address the issue of GFC members consistently not attending the meetings. A strong suggestion was made that members who do not participate should be replaced.
2. United Charities issue. Committee members have an issue with the administration not giving choices of charities to donate to and reasons may be politically charged.
3. Onsite child care. No decisions have been made yet and the report in the observer has been postponed. Consultant needs to identify possible sites on campus. Roycemore is a possibility on the Evanston Campus but will not be available for a few years (2009). FSA and tax exempt guidelines need to be addressed. Two issues that remain are finding a site by September 2<sup>nd</sup> and creating a shuttle service. NU is one of the last colleges to deal with the child care issue so it is imperative that it be addressed.