

**Committee of Six Minutes  
of Monday, November 27, 2006**

The fifteenth meeting of the Committee of Six for the academic year 2006–2007 was called to order by President Marx in his office at 3:30 P.M. on Monday, November 27, 2006. Present were Professors George, Hilborn, O’Hara, Parker, Schneider, and Woglom, Dean Call, President Marx, and Assistant Dean Tobin, Recorder. Corrections to the minutes of the meetings of November 13 and 14 were given to the Dean.

The Committee first discussed how best to structure the upcoming faculty meeting of December 5. The Dean told the members that the Faculty Committee on Admission and Financial Aid (FCAFA) has informed him that the committee is still in the process of considering admission and other data that bear on the questions that the FCAFA is exploring at the request of the Committee of Six. While recognizing that the FCAFA has not yet reached conclusions regarding these questions, the members agreed that it would be beneficial for the Faculty to have an update from the committee at this point. The members suggested that the Dean ask the FCAFA if it would offer at the faculty meeting such an update, a part of which should include a presentation by Tom Parker, Dean of Admission and Financial Aid, and Marian Matheson, Director of Institutional Research, who provided the committee with much of the data being considered. Professor George expressed concern about having a lengthy discussion of this sort when there would not be a motion before the Faculty. The other members felt strongly that it is important for the full Faculty to learn about this important information at this juncture. The Committee agreed that questions raised by the Faculty at the meeting and individual faculty members’ subsequent communication with the FCAFA, which should be encouraged, could inform the committee’s final report. Due to the sensitive nature of the information that would be discussed, the members agreed that students (with the exception of those who serve on the FCAFA) would not be present during the FCAFA update at the faculty meeting. The members also decided that the Committee’s charge to FCAFA, which was previously included in the Committee of Six minutes, would be attached to the faculty meeting agenda for the Faculty’s convenience. The Dean agreed to convey the Committee’s views to the FCAFA.

In relation to the enhanced charge to the CEP, which would be on the agenda as well, Professor George asked Dean Call if the Committee on Educational Policy feels confident that the position of Researcher is not temporary. The Dean said that he believes that the CEP is aware that, in accordance with standard practice, this position was vetted and endorsed by the Committee on Priorities and Resources and is now a regularly budgeted half-time FTE in the Dean’s office. The members then approved the faculty meeting agenda and turned to personnel matters.

The meeting adjourned at 6:20 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Gregory S. Call  
Dean of the Faculty