Dean Carolyn Dever called the meeting to order at 4:13 p.m. in Wilson Hall 103. Approximately 120 faculty members were in attendance.

1. **Appointment of the A&S Parliamentarian.**

Dean Dever appointed Professor Roy Gottfried as the Parliamentarian of the Faculty for 2011-2012. The appointment was approved by the faculty.

2. **Election of the A&S Secretary of the Faculty.**

Dean Dever nominated Professor Julian Wuerth, of the Philosophy department, as the Secretary of the Faculty for the next two years. There were no other nominations, and Professor Wuerth was acclaimed.

3. **Approval of the Minutes of the Faculty Meeting of May 10, 2011.**

There were no comments or questions, and the Minutes were approved.

4. **Review of the Minutes of the Faculty Council Meeting of September 6, 2011.**

There were no comments or questions. Professor Timothy Hanusa, Chair of Faculty Council, explained that an important topic for Faculty Council is the establishment of a new rank-order track for non-tenure track faculty members. He said that this proposal has been under consideration for a number of years, and Council hopes to make significant progress this year.

5. **Approval of the Candidates for Degrees at the end of the Summer Semester, August 12, 2011.**

Associate Dean Fräncille Bergquist moved that the Faculty of the College of Arts and Science recommend to the Board of Trust that it confer upon these candidates their degrees (a list of degree candidates is attached to these Minutes). Her motion was seconded and unanimously approved.

6. **Introduction of New Arts & Science Tenured and Tenure-Track Faculty Members.**

Each newly hired A&S tenured or tenure-track faculty member was introduced to the faculty by his or her Department Chair, Program Director, or representative. A list of the new tenured and tenure-track A&S faculty members is attached to these Minutes.
After Professor Tony Stewart was introduced as the new chair of the Department of Religious Studies, Dean Dever expressed her gratitude to Professor Ellen Armour, of the Divinity School, for stepping in last year as interim chair of the Religious Studies department and as chair of the search committee for the new chair.

7. Presentation of the Jeffrey Nordhaus Awards for Excellence in Undergraduate Teaching in the College of Arts & Science.

Karen Campbell, Senior Associate Dean for undergraduate education, presented Professor Claire King, of the Department of Communication Studies, with the Jeffrey Nordhaus Award for Excellence in Undergraduate Teaching in the Humanities; Professor Julian Hillyer, of the Department of Biological Sciences, with the Jeffrey Nordhaus Award for Excellence in Undergraduate Teaching in the Natural Sciences; and Professor David Lewis, of the Department of Political Science, with the Jeffrey Nordhaus Award for Excellence in Undergraduate Teaching in the Social Sciences.

8. Presentation of the Harriet S. Gilliam Award for Excellence in Teaching by a Lecturer or Senior Lecturer in the College of Arts & Science.

The Harriet S. Gilliam Award for Excellence in Teaching by a Senior Lecturer or Lecturer was awarded to John Rafter, Senior Lecturer in the Department of Mathematics.

9. Presentation of the Ernest A. Jones Faculty Adviser Award in the College of Arts & Science.

The Ernest A. Jones Faculty Adviser Award was presented to Professor David Weintraub of the Department of Physics and Astronomy.

10. Presentation of the Alumni Outstanding Pre-Major Adviser Award in the College of Arts & Science.

The Alumni Outstanding Pre-Major Adviser Award was presented to Matthew Whitt, who was a Pre-Major Adviser at CASPAR (College of Arts and Science Pre-major Academic Advising Resources) and a Senior Lecturer in the Department of Philosophy.

11. Recognition of Significant Faculty Service Anniversaries.

Dean Dever recognized many faculty members for their significant faculty service anniversaries: Having served 20 years at Vanderbilt are Professors John Ayers, Beth Conklin, Ford Ebner, William Franke, Teresa Goddu, Yollette Jones, William Luis, John McCarthy, M. L. Sandoz, Paul Sheldon, Helmut Smith, Leslie Smith, and David Weintraub; having served 25 years are Professors Michael Aurbach, Vicki Burrus, Mark Ellingham, Doug Hardin, Tom McGinn, Arleen Tuchman, and Sait Umar; having served 30 years is Professor Leonard Folgarait; having served 35 years are Professors Bill Damon and George Sweeney; having served 40 years are Professors Daniel Patte and
John Plummer; and having served 50 years is Professor Vereen Bell. The faculty applauded all of these individuals for their dedicated service to Vanderbilt.

12. **Good of the College.**

Dean Dever announced that an orientation session for new faculty members will begin immediately after the adjournment of this meeting in Wilson 126.

13. **Adjournment.**

The meeting adjourned at 5:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Julian M. Wuerth,
Secretary of the Faculty
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September 14, 2011

Dean Carolyn Dever
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Dear Dean Dever:

The attached list contains the names of candidates who have completed all requirements for the Bachelor of Arts degree at the end of the summer term, August 12, 2011.

Sincerely,

Molly Thompson
Registrar
College of Arts and Science

Enclosures
African American and Diaspora Studies Program  
**Jemima Pierre, Ph.D.**, Assistant Professor of African American and Diaspora Studies

Asian Studies Program  
**Ben V. Tran, Ph.D.**, Assistant Professor of Asian Studies

Department of Chemistry  
**Janet E. Macdonald, Ph.D.**, Assistant Professor of Chemistry

Department of Earth and Environmental Sciences  
**Jessica Leigh Oster, Ph.D.**, Assistant Professor of Earth and Environmental Sciences

Department of Economics  
**Federico H. Gutierrez, Ph.D.**, Assistant Professor of Economics  
**Peter A. Savelyev, Ph.D.**, Assistant Professor of Economics

Film Studies Program  
**Jonathan Rattner, M.F.A.**, Assistant Professor of Film Studies

Department of History  
**Peter Lorge, Ph.D.**, Assistant Professor of History

History of Art  
**Courtney J. Martin, Ph.D.**, Assistant Professor of History of Art

Department of Mathematics  
**Vaughan Jones, Ph.D.**, Distinguished Professor of Mathematics

Medicine, Health and Society Program  
**Jonathan M. Metzl, M.D., Ph.D.**, Frederick B. Rentschler II Professor of Sociology and Medicine, Health and Society

Department of Physics and Astronomy  
**Erin C. Rericha, Ph.D.**, Assistant Professor of Physics

Department of Political Science  
**Larry M. Bartels, Ph.D.**, May Werthan Shayne Professor of Public Policy and Social Science

Department of Psychology  
**Alexander V. Maier, Ph.D.**, Assistant Professor of Psychology
Department of Religious Studies
Tony K. Stewart, Ph.D., Professor of Religious Studies and Chair of the Department

Department of Sociology
David J. Hess, Ph.D., Professor of Sociology

Department of Spanish and Portuguese
Marcio Bahia, Ph.D., Assistant Professor of Portuguese

Department of Theatre
Christin Essin, Ph.D., Assistant Professor of Theatre
Leah Lowe, Ph.D., Associate Professor of Theatre