TO: PCPS Dean’s Conference  
FROM: Diane S. Muniz  
DATE: November 10, 2008  
RE: Summary of the October 30, 2008 Meeting

Guest: G. Zaboski

The Dean reminded everyone that the Blessing of the Books will take place on December 1, 2008 at 3:00 p.m. Last year’s event was a success with over 1700 books collected. The books were distributed to the EOTC and Leahy Clinic in Scranton, to the NYC Floating Hospital, to an Indian reservation in Arizona, and to children in Haiti and Belize. The Dean announced that if you have any students of concern they should be referred to Dianne Posegate.

The Dean asked the Chairs to give an update on departmental happenings.  
**Exercise Science & Sport:** The Community Health Education major resides in this department. Dr. Fetherman serves as program director. Two new faculty have been added to the department, along with a lab director.  
**Physical Therapy & Occupational Therapy:** Students and faculty of physical therapy, occupational therapy and exercise science have been collaborating on many projects. The physical therapy department is working with the Alumni office in preparation for the celebration of the 25th graduating class.  
**Nursing:** The AACN approved a new document listing the essential elements needed in a baccalaureate nursing program. As a result of this document, the department is reviewing their curriculum to see if changes need to be made.  
**HAHR:** The Human Resources Administration graduate program will move to a fully online format.  
**PCPS Advising:** Ninety-three students participated in the service learning event at Merli Sarnowski Park. Students provided reflections of the morning events during the community lunch.  
**Education:** The department is moving ahead with new certifications and working on creating new programs to meet specific regulations.  
**CHS:** The department is in the process of making a number of curricular changes in the School Counseling program.  
**LCH&FC:** Numbers are up in the clinic, averaging about 30 patients each Thursday. Physical Therapy and Counseling clinics are held on Wednesdays and Peacemakers is held on Fridays. A five year projection and sustainability report was presented to the Provost. The big issues are sustainability as far as funding is concerned and sustainability as far as physician providers are concerned.
Gerry Zaboski was asked to provide an update on the University Webpage. The University purchased a Content Management System. This is a tool to help develop and maintain WebPages in a way that is much easier than what we already have. A newly designed University homepage will debut on November 4, 2008. All academic program pages have been updated and are accurate and current to what is in the catalog.

Each Dean was asked to identify two persons to participate in Phase I of this project. Dr. Ed Kosmahl from Physical Therapy and Dr. Georgios Stylianides from Exercise Science & Sport are the two faculty who will be working on this project. Ms. Cheryl Demkosky of Exercise Science & Sport will assist them. A toolkit and support will be provided to begin Web content for the departments.

**Open discussion:**
Dr. Oliver Morgan suggested that we need to begin looking at a more collaborative model to offer the physicians who volunteer in the Clinic. He feels that we need to show them a different way of relating to patients. He has worked with people from the University of Rochester who would be willing to come to campus and talk to us about how we can put a new model in place. Dean Pellegrino agreed with Dr. Morgan. In an October meeting held at McGurkin Hall, The Commonwealth Medical College's Interprofessional Education Advisory Board toured the Leahy Clinic before their meeting. The IPE advisory board was impressed with the Leahy Clinic and their start at interprofessional education.

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