The meeting was called to order at 3:00 p.m. by Chair Dan Lair.

**Provost Report**  Provost Knerr provided a personnel update in the Provost’s Office: Heidi Seyed was hired as the replacement of Sue Fabbro.

Provost Knerr introduced the Doctorate of Nurse Anesthesia Practice program proposal. The School of Health Professions and Studies (SHPS), in collaboration with Hurley Medical Center, proposes to convert the current Master of Science (MS) in Anesthesia Program to the clinical doctorate level, awarding a Doctor of Nurse Anesthesia Practice (DNAP) degree. This change is required in order to comply with the January 1, 2015 revised Accreditation Standards set forth by the Council on Accreditation of Nurse Anesthesia Educational Programs (COA). The anesthesia program seeks to award a Doctor of Nurse Anesthesia Practice Degree and to convert the existing Doctor of Anesthesia Practice (DrAP) completion degree title to Doctor of Nurse Anesthesia Practice (DNAP). If the proposal is approved, the current DrAP will continue to have students in the program graduate and DNAP will be for the new incoming students. Senior Vice Provost Vahid Lotfi and Mary Jo Finney, Chair of the Graduate Board came to the meeting to address some concerns/objections regarding the new proposal. Faculty governance in decision-making about a new graduate proposal was discussed and AAAC will further discuss this new proposal at the next meeting.

**Faculty Council Report**  Jan Furman gave the Faculty Council report. The ad hoc committee on the chancellor’s evaluation submitted its report and was included in the Governing Faculty committee’s annual report. Faculty Council developed a new grievance procedure based on LSA and Dearborn policies and sent it to the governing faculty. Questions about the new procedure were discussed.

**Blackboard Revisit**  The current policy allows students to access Blackboard at midnight before classes start. The function that allows instructors to turn on/off their classes on Blackboard is disabled. This causes problems in some programs. Some faculty expressed a willingness to grant students access to Blackboard before the class begins. The committee was aware of problems associated with maintenance and registration. However, students’ access to Blackboard is a matter of Academic Affairs and the committee discussed whether OEL or the faculty should make the decision. The possibility of giving instructors the authority to open Blackboard was also discussed.
**Academic Calendar** ➤ Since the survey of both students and staff will take some time, the committee decided to wait for the survey results before further discussion.

**Chair Election** ➤ Dan Lair was elected as chair for the coming year.

**Additional Meeting** ➤ An additional meeting was scheduled for May 30 to discuss DNAP and the new Physician Assistant proposal.

The meeting adjourned at 4:40 p.m.