1. Father Garanzini opened the meeting at 8:00 a.m. Wayne Magdziarz offered a prayer.

2. The minutes of the October 4, 2011 meeting were approved unanimously.

3. Father Garanzini added Founder’s Dinner to the agenda for discussion.

4. Wayne presented a summary of projects and planning in the division of Capital Planning and Campus Management. He reviewed the proposed MOU with the City of Chicago and the various collaborations underway with the Mayor’s Office. Among other projects, Wayne reviewed the CTA plaza and retail redevelopment project on the LSC and highlighted that the CTA plaza work is expected to be complete by May 2014. He also gave an update on the Cuneo campus redevelopment project and detailed the land management agreement and plans to develop acreage on the north of the property for market-rate residential use with some retail. Plans are underway to provide a more robust housing stock to meet the needs of undergraduate junior and senior students who want to live near campus in affordable apartments. On the WTC, Wayne reviewed the State/Chestnut Street co-development project. Newcastle Limited was chosen as our development partner by the Board of Trustees Facilities Committee. Goals for the site include a 35 story high-rise with 480 residential units (primarily studios and one-bedroom units), 188 parking spaces, and a fitness center linked to Loyola’s future School of Business as well as Baumhart Hall, among other features.

5. Ellen Munro then reviewed the university’s contract policy which dates to October 2001. In that policy, an exception to the regular review processes was made for research contracts. Ellen detailed the reasons why research contracts should not be exempted from our contract policies, and the Cabinet agreed to remove this exemption. Additionally, it was determined that a small working group including Dr. Gamelli, Tom Kelly, Bill Sellers, Sam Attoh, Ellen Munro, Mary Donnelly and others should meet to outline the parameters of review for these contracts and to streamline these contract review processes.

6. Rob Kelly and Jon Heintzelman reviewed Homecoming Weekend, which was a success thanks to large part to excellent parent leadership. Rob highlighted Porter Moser’s “midnight madness” event as a particularly strong part of the weekend’s activities, and Jon said that the half-century gathering on Sunday was well-attended. Everyone agreed that the timing for the Weekend needs to be modified so that it does not come on the heels of Parent’s Weekend, and the Cabinet agreed that earlier in the semester next year would work well. It was also suggested that the Weekend have some bigger “anchor” events to draw people together.
7. Father Garanzini congratulated John Hardt on his induction into Alpha Sigma Nu, the Jesuit Honor Society, on Sunday.

8. Father Garanzini reviewed the suggested list of suggested nominees for Founder’s Dinner next June. Both Social Work and IPS are being asked to suggest awardees of the caliber of the other school’s nominees this year, and Father Garanzini asked Jon to engage his research staff in this effort. The Cabinet considered who might be singled out at Founder’s Dinner—an alumnae/alumnus or corporation or someone else—who has significantly contributed to Catholic education. The Cabinet will revisit this discussion at the next meeting.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:35 a.m.