

**MARIETTA COLLEGE  
PLANNING COMMITTEE  
Minutes**

The first meeting of the Planning Committee for the 2004-05 academic year convened at 3:00 p.m. on Friday September 10, 2004 in the President's Conference Room, Dr. Jean A. Scott in the chair.

*Present:* Jean A. Scott, Chair, Daniel Bryant, Michael Conte, Gary G. Craig, Sue DeWine, David C. Freeman, Constance Golden, Debora A. Lazarik, Kathryn N. McDaniel, Sidney Potash, Steven R. Spilatro, Lon S. Vickers, Suzanne H. Walker, Melissa Yusko; Fraser G. MacHaffie, Secretary.

1. Introduction. President Scott welcomed the committee members and reminded the meeting that the nature of material under discussion usually required that it be treated with a level of confidentiality. She added that it was appropriate for the College community to be aware, in general terms, of the topics under review. Dr. Scott indicated that while each member had his/her own angle on topics, she assumed all would bring a campus-wide perspective to the discussions.
2. Overview of Plan. President Scott described briefly the background to the "Higher Ground" document.
3. Budget Process and Priorities. Dan Bryant outlined the process for establishing the 2005-06 budget and described the role of the Budget Advisory Group. Dr. Scott distributed a list of items that the strategic plan called to be funded sometime before the end of 2005-06 and indicated the immediate task of the committee was to prioritize these items since it was unlikely all could be funded. She asked members to review the list before the next meeting, scheduled for 3:00 p.m. on Friday September 17.