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I. Tribute to Professor William Oldenburg

Other misfortunes to college community - John Weldon family, & others

Tragedy as a forced maturity

II. Speak to new faculty about GVSC organization

a. Potential for impossible division

b. What holds it together - qualities of the people involved, ultimately mutual respect

III. Last Year's Developments

a. Last year's developments demonstrated some needs

b. Faculty governance system - ECS operated during the summer months

c. Possibly add a Budget Committee from All Colleges Academic Senate - study the matter

d. North Central Accreditation
   1. Compliment to old and new colleges

e. Law School - disappointment

f. New Board Member - Tom Downs

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IV. Moving into New Year

a. Law School - examine possibilities

b. St. John's College

c. Most important immediate issues

1. Collective bargaining; everyone vote

2. Davenport College; 7 on Task Force; others who want to be represented to contact Dr. Dewey Hoitenga, ACAS chairman

3. Argentina visit - EMT program

4. Personal development

5. Job security - Task Force appointed; Al TenEyk is chairman

6. Personal development in one's chosen field

7. Wisdom quotient
   education-values-integrity

V. Relationships to other institutions - our place - a sense of place

a. in our area

b. in Western Michigan

c. GVSC definitely in new arena

VI. Personal Reflections

a. Gratitude (Staughton - pres. of Wittenberg C.)