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**Minutes from the meeting of
December 6, 2005**

In attendance were John Kennedy, Paul Raccanello, Gary Gillard, Jim Barrington, Al and Esther Garrotto, Ken and Felicia Silva, and student rep Katie McCulla.

1. Conlon Center Security: A question arose about security in Conlon Gym and the maintenance and updating of exercise equipment. Paul Raccanello reassured us that security is present and patrolling. The director of the facility is cleaning and updating equipment on a regular basis.
2. Parents Night at DU Basketball: The date will be either Friday, Feb. 10th or 17th. Paul will let us know which, when the date is finalized.
3. New Visitation and Cohabitation Policy: John Kennedy updated us on the Visitation and Cohabitation policy that is currently being formulated. The administration is looking for a livable policy whose creation will be a joint effort by students and administration. John has reviewed other universities' policies on this issue. The committee will finish its work in January, and they hope to have a policy in place by Spring 2006. The complete text of the policy will be published in the student handbook each year.
4. Conlon Parking: Additional parking is now available in the Conlon lot's lower section to make up for loss of parking behind the Meadowlands in the Science and Technology Building construction area.
5. Student Report: Katie McCulla reported an increase in organized weekend activities for students remaining on campus. Students have noticed the difference and have had a lot of fun. Also, a student is doing internship work for DU to bring an intramural program to the university next year.
6. Phone-A-Thon Update: To date, the Parent Council has raised \$5,000.00 dollars toward the parent-sponsored lab in the new Science and Technology Building. Some of us stayed after the meeting to make more calls. Thanks to

all parents who have contributed and to the hard-working committee members for their support.

7. Bequest: The University has received a \$5.1 million bequest which will be applied to vital needs.
8. Parent Conference Call: Thanks to all the parents who joined in our conference call at this meeting! It is important to us to include all DU parents in our proceedings and activities.
9. Miscellaneous: A suggestion was made to have the university put toilet seat protector dispensers in all public accessible bathrooms. John suggested that the parent council write a letter to the administration to make a formal request.

We will not meet in January 2006, due to the Winter Break.

Next meeting will be February 7, 2006 at 4:30 p.m. in Guzman Hall.