Fine Arts Minutes 10/07/2014

Present: Carolyn Alexander, Ron Brown, Fatemeh Burnes, Thomas Butler, Craig Deines, Dirk Hagner, Melissa Macias, Susie Rubenstein, Shari Wasson
Absent: Kirk Pedersen

Call to Order: 4:30 pm

Minutes approved from last meeting 9/16/2014

Business Items:

• Families of Courses Related in Content were not accepted:
  o Carolyn reorganized the families of classes. All members present approve the new families.

• Adjunct faculty classroom reviews and student evaluations are assigned. See Carolyn for the sign-up sheet.

• Faculty is asked to design a department SLO (or SLO’s) to demonstrate the value of open lab hours to students. Data collected from such records of SLO’s could support additional lab technician position.

Information Items:

• $56,000 was made available for instructional equipment. Carolyn has requested $55,310 of equipment including 16 new computers with contracts, 2 new projectors, woodshop machines, pottery wheels, 24 kiln shelves, and flat files.

• $4000 extra was granted for models this year. No additional funds were granted to studio workers. This means there will need to be a cut in student hours during the Spring 2015 semester.

• Friday, October 17th is Liz Callahan’s last day and a retirement party is scheduled for the 16th. A card will be available in the mailroom to sign.

• Both degrees have been sent back because of new requirements, including a form that needs to be completed.

• CEA lost parity for several classes due to a missed deadline. The upside is that with only 5 LHE, 2 classes can be granted to outstanding adjunct in the case that those with rehire rights do
not take the available courses.

- New phrasing of the contract clarifies that courses must be offered based on seniority in the fall, spring, and both Intersessions.
- Faculty is reminded to check for and submit classes due for 4-year review.

Discussion:
- Fatemeh suggested creating a solid contact with USC that can be documented as community outreach and create benefits for both USC and MT. SAC. Proposed meetings might include events such as portfolio preparation presentations or informative speakers.
- Fatemeh announces that Fullerton College is interested in working on a certificate program with Mt. SAC.
- The DA Center for the Arts was discussed after the center mishandled a scenario involving damaged work.
- Send any materials/supplies requests to Carolyn. Some supplies may be purchased with department funds.
  - Dirk requested a small scanner.
- Art Club is participating in a Planetarium project. Have interested students contact Melissa for more information. Students with strong computer skills are needed.

Reports:
- Art Gallery:
  - Faculty Exhibition: works are to be delivered to the gallery October 14-16.
- Faculty Association:
  - Lance Heard is resigning as President of the Faculty Association. Eric Kaljumaji will move into the President
position and the Vice President position will open.

- Interest based bargaining versus traditional bargaining is discussed
- 2016/17 Academic Calendar options are clarified. Option B would schedule winter intersession courses from Tuesday-Friday, as opposed to Monday through Thursday.
- The Faculty Association is urging the re-election of the CEA endorsed candidate, Tom Torlakson for State Superintendent of Public Instruction.
- The MOU regarding rehire rights was voted for unanimously

- Senate:
  - FTES’s were short of the growth goal so more courses will be added to the winter schedule.
  - A representative from the Arts Division is needed to serve on the Outcomes Committee
  - January 13-15 is scheduled for negotiations training
  - Web CMS training will be available on October 13th
  - BP 3700 is clarified. The vote will be to determine whether or not a task force is created to investigate a previously proposed set of guidelines concerning the use of social media.
  - Mt. SAC will participate in a pilot program for the Online Educational Initiative as part of the tutoring group. Students will be able to maintain residency at their primary college while taking an online class from another school. This can assist students by helping to reduce extra fees accumulated when taking courses at multiple institutions. Credit for course completion will be assigned to Mt. SAC, but the FTES will be awarded to the other college.
Adjourned: 6:30 pm

Submitted: Melissa Macias