Communication Department Meeting  
November 12, 2014  
4:30-6:30 PM

Present: John Vitullo (Chair), Julie Laverty, Roxan Arntson, Danny Cantrell (notes), Ken Klawitter, Roger Willis-Raymondo, Jeff Archibald, CLS Ferguson, J. Edward Stevenson

I. General Announcements / Welcome

II. Action Items
   A. Approved October Minutes
   B. Winter Dept. Chair Election: Jeff was elected Chair for the Winter intersession
   C. $ for chairs and tables for 1411: Discussed table options for 1411. Approved Liesel’s plan.
   D. Approve $ for International Forensics travel. Approved up to $6,000 (with option for more if needed at future meeting) for China from Department Textbook account. Approved up to $14,000 (with option for more if needed at future meeting) for Barcelona IFA tournament from Department Textbook account.

III. Department
   A. Summer Schedule was distributed and signed up.
   B. Spring textbooks was distributed and collected.
   C. Adjunct Evaluations – THANK YOU! Jean-Marie did two SPCH1A Evals – special thanks to her.
   D. Welcome Jasmine Paek – hired as our new Department Assistant.
   E. Leads – commit to working with faculty teaching the class for the first time, answering questions, lead curriculum review, do SLO recommendations, fill out articulation information, evaluate instructors in that course.
      1. 1A- SPCH1A Coordinators (John)
      2. 2- Julie
      3. 3- Kenny
      4. 4- Liesel
      5. 6- Liesel
      6. 7- Roxan
      7. 8- Julie
      8. 15- Current Forensics Coaches
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     11. 18- Current Forensics Coaches
     12. 20- Danny
     13. 26- Roger
     14. 30- CLS
   F. Phil Maynard Black History Month Speech Contest: J. Edward presented information about the contest. Approved $600 ($650 if seven finalists) in prize money amounts ($50 finalists, $100 3rd, $150 2nd, $200 1st). Department may need to do more on our end to help out the event. Room is reserved (13-1700). Video is being produced. Save the date for the event will be going out in the next couple of weeks. Discussed creating a perpetual plaque with student winners on it.
G. Cameras in the classroom: Department came to the conclusion that the proposal did not match department needs. John respectfully turned down the cameras. Julie discussed future plans for incorporating video technology.

H. SPCH 6 Projects: Projects progressing well.

I. Start with Speech: Nothing to report.

IV. Division News
A. EIWOS is replaced by School Dude- all work to go through Division (Letty or Kim).
B. Lance Heard presented discussing FIG and other issues relating to the new contract. New contract should be available soon.
C. Desire for Senate to share their criteria for ranking RTF.
D. Winter planning retreat: January 23, 9:00-1:00 – Kellog West
E. Language Arts Degree: John presented information about a current degree that includes SPCH 4. Division may move to discontinue the degree. Requested information on number of students earning the degree.

V. Curriculum (SIC)
A. Persuasion: Danny has started working on the course. Will email proposed course outline before the December meeting. Danny will meet with John.
B. SPCH 90: John discussed EDC’s response regarding SPCH 90. Agreed to move it to Stage 1 to give the department more time.

VI. Outcomes (SLO/GEO)
A. AAT degree now has the same program level outcome as the AA, listed in tracdat: “Students will be able to perform basic speech delivery skills.” John brought up information from catalogue which might work for the future.
B. SLOs will be assessed for 2, 8 & 26 this year.

VII. Reports
A. Faculty Association (Roger): Election for officers going on now – only one candidate. Survey for putting on the hits went out.
B. Senate (Danny)
   1. Opening nominations for two executive board positions.
   2. Discussing student equity plan at upcoming meeting.
C. SSSC (CLS)
   1. Sign has requested we add dark colored curtains in at least one video room.
   2. Workshops and Events This semester:
      i. Some of our workshops have had low attendance this semester, though students have given positive feedback. Please email CLS at cswift@mtsac.edu with your preferences for scheduling in spring, and if you are interested in leading a workshop.
      ii. Last workshop this semester: Roger Willis-Raymundo Nonverbal Delivery, November 20, 3-4 pm in 26A 1690
      iii. Speech & Sign Soapbox: Was an incredible success! Sandon Larson and David Pesquiera filled in for Robert Augustus who was ill. We had over 100 attend.
Several students told stories and shared poems, some with their voice, and some Deaf students signed. Interpreting students interpreted along with the professional interpreters. A huge thank you to Professor Julie Laverty and the Communication Club for their support. Also, thank you to Jeanne-Marie for attending. We look forward to hosting more of this event in the future!

iv. The SSSC may close early or be closed on November 26th (the day before Thanksgiving). Thoughts?

A. Textbook: no updates. No update from the WIN program. John will follow up with Jim.
B. SPCH 1A Coordinators (CLS, John, Laverty): Discussed need to have more uniformity across SPCH1A sections – especially with new adjuncts. John said no to upward bound.
C. Forensics (Roger): Evening with Forensics next Tuesday. Reception at 6pm in Bldg 13-1700. Jannese Davidson, PCC & CSUN all went well. Heading to Grossmont this weekend. Fall champs early December – will need help with running the tournament & judging.
D. Communication Club (Julie): Julie reported that the t-shirts and banner were well received. Lots of energy and enthusiasm but working on leadership development. Approved up to $1,000 if needed – Julie will look into matching funds from AS. Won second 2nd place prize for Halloween costume contest.
E. Scholarship Committee (Roger, Liesel): None turned in yet but many students are working on them.
F. Intramural (Kenny, John): Entry form will be available soon. Please remind forensics students to judge.
G. Part-Time Hiring Committee: Need more teaching faculty for spring semester.

### Upcoming Events

*Let me know if you would like something added.*

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**Notes:**
- 12/3: Debate Intramural
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- 12/5-7: PT Recognition
- 12/10: Fall Champs (IE)
- 12/13-1700: Department Meeting
- 12/10: Department Meeting
- 3:00-7:00PM: Mt. SAC
- 7:00PM: TBA