

Department of English, Literature, and Journalism
Minutes
May 6, 2014
2:30-4:30 p.m.
26D-3411

Present: Albertson, Allende, Alvarez, Alvarez-Galvan, Aquino, Arterburn, Avila, Bartman, Brantingham, Cannon, Churchill, DePaola, Dougherty, Edson, Enke, Estrada, Farve, Frahe, Gold Wright, Gomez, Harper, Horton, Loera-Ramirez, Mageean, McCormick, McFaul, Myers, O'Brien, Olds, Quintana-Mullane, Staylor, Thomas, Whalen

Absent: Hight, Karn, Garrett (on leave), Prochaska (on leave)

- I. Call to order 2:30 p.m.
- II. Approval of Minutes: April 1, 2014.
- III. Reports
 - a. Chair: Allende—**1.** Cynthia Prochaska approved for medical retirement; **2.** Hiring committee has hired a full time faculty member for next year, Jason Kordich; **3.** Lit 11A and Lit 11B not approved by C-ID. Betsy McCormick and Michael Mageean volunteered to review; **4.** Tom Edson brought up the need for volunteers for the Common Core pilot program that will take place this summer and will have an input in tools available on the market and how they will work or need to be modified for the entire community college system. Funds are available, and people will need to volunteer for at least two meetings this summer (June, July, and/or August). Currently in discussion, but English will have a volunteer.
 - b. Academic Senate: Cannon and Myers—report via e-mail; Tom Edson mentioned we need to get an English faculty member on Senate Executive Board, so that we can have a stronger voice in academic and transfer program hires since we are losing ground to CTE and other areas.
 - c. Faculty Association: Alvarez-Galvan, Horton, and Olds—Calendar we voted on for 2014-2015 was approved but will lead to printing problems since the entire campus will be closed and classified staff will be on vacation prior to the start of winter session. Faculty teaching winter session should prepare accordingly; a second, mandatory flex day has been suggested
 - d. Assessment and Matriculation: Dougherty—New rubric for AWE has shifted placement. We are now seeing a higher placement into English 1A.
 - e. Writer's Day: Brantingham—Writer's day a success
 - f. Writing Center: Myers—report via e-mail
 - g. Journalism: Albertson—*Substance* won a Maggie award
- IV. Action Items
 - a. Engl 1C Revisions—A motion was made to approve, seconded, and approved
 - b. June meeting cancelled since we will have meeting at Richard Myer's home before graduation
- V. Scheduling for Spring 2015 completed

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