

HAH- Department Minutes

Sept. 11, 2013

All FT department members were present or accounted for. Adjunct attendees: Ryan Hunt, Charlotte Negrete, Deana Hight, Ashley Haines

Senate highlights-

- Senate needs Legislative Liaison
- Dept curriculum all up to date- Cristina recommended that we break down curriculum into staggered steps so that updates won't all come down the pipe and be due at the same time.
- POD handbook
- Fieldtrips and responsibilities- according to Title 5, can we require fieldtrips? The debate is proceeding in the AS, Cristina will keep us posted. Suggestion about material fee or the like as a solution.

Faculty Association:

- Much going on in FA with leadership change-over
- Need for Benefits/Insurance Committee- second Tuesdays of month 1:30-3:30 needs people- important committee.
- President's Advisory committee presented new Master Plan- it is available online
- Board of Trustees meeting- raised contentious and important meeting of Scroggins receiving a \$10,000 annuity- not considered a "Raise" but an annual, one-time "investment" which is tax free. Problematic especially since president voted against faculty raises. 2 new positions for board members- important to attend forum for candidates. Tuesday Sept 17, 11:30-1:00.
- Opening for FA vice president: Linda Chen, Joan Scholars, and Eric Kalgumagi are three nominations on the floor.
- Discussion about policies regarding movement from FA/Senate to administration positions and conflict of interests that might be involved.
- Strategizing ahead for expiration of Prop 30

Division News

- Posting for new positions open
- Discussion about posting online for cancelled courses
- Jim discussed growth- we are currently holding steady. Growth when it comes will be disproportionate - based on student demand
- Instructional materials funds are now available
- No student aide so far this semester! ☹

Department News

- Lele Loupe needs a sub likely weeks 9-15 for medical leave
- **Constitution Day!**- Monday September 16- 1:15-2:40 9C
- SLOs were discussed as a tie-in to Constitution Day
- Rafaela Jobbitt announced that this will be her last semester due to her families' relocation to her husband's hometown in Canada

- Action Issue: whether the new Classics Discipline should be housed within the department
 - o Kate strongly recommended postponing vote
 - o **Motion: The History and Art History Department will host and house the "Classics Discipline" as proposed by Tom Edson.**
 - o secret ballot vote on the measure- 1 to table, 1 vote opposed, 7 in support
 - o The motion passed.

- **Motion: The History and Art History Department will fill the open history instructor position, vacated by Rafaela Jobbitt as of January, 12014.**
- The HAH Department voted unanimously in favor of replacing Rafaela's position.

New History Hires – Request To Fill

- Art History members asked that we ask for the growth position again, and in 4th position, the History growth position
- Department will request 2 replacement hires and 2 growth hires
- Ranked: 1.) African American/U.S. instructor (replacement, Fisher), 2.) Africa/ World History instructor (replacement, Jobbitt), replacement, 3.) Art History growth, 4.) History, Latin American – growth.
- **Motion: The History and Art History Department priority rank our RTF positions as listed above.**
- Motion passed unanimously.
- Tom Edson, English would like the HAH department to support a measure to create a task force to improve commencement. The department supported Tom's request. Hal Hoffman will draft a support letter to send to the Faculty Association.

Department meeting concluded 5:20pm, Minutes compiled by Allie Frickert