

Sociology and Philosophy Department Minutes

April 8, 2015

3 pm

Attendance:

Sociologists Rillorta, Hatch, Stewart-Thomas, Gallarde (Chair), & Philosopher David Lane

Retirement Presentation

Ross Klafter from First Investors Corp came to present on retirement options. He is available for individual consultation and can be reached at 626-408-1333 x 310 or

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Minutes

The March 2015 meeting minutes were unanimously approved.

Announcements

- Sociologist Rillorta attended PSA in Santa Monica this past weekend. She presided over two sessions and really enjoyed the presentation on teaching at community colleges. This presentation was also attended by our adjuncts Carla Hernandez and Jessica Coronel.
- Chairperson Gallarde also attended PSA and she will be attending the 9th Annual International Conference on Sociology at the Athens Institute for education and Research in Athens Greece, May 4 – 7.
- POD funding for conference travel is available for adjuncts and full-time faculty. The maximum amount that can be applied is \$1500, and travel must be concluded before the end of the fiscal year (June 30, 2015)

The following items were addressed:

- SAP enrollment and scheduling
- Curriculum review for Soc 91 and Soc 91H (up for 4-year review)
- Budget requests
- The need for a Faculty Association rep
- Academic senate report (will be emailed)
- SLO/GEO
- Cultural Event—Hijab Day
 - Sociologist Stewart Thomas has been working with the student leader interested in having a Hijab Day. Their primary need is for funding, and that is something we cannot provide at this time. It was suggested that students try to raise the money or ask for donations.

Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned by Chairperson Gallarde.

Minutes prepared by Minute-Taker Michelle StewartThomas