

Sociology and Philosophy Meeting Minutes

November 18, 2015

Call to Order

Chairperson Gallarde called the meeting to order at 3:15 p.m.

Attendance:

Present: Chairperson Gallarde; Sociologists Hatch and Stewart Thomas; Philosophers McGruder, Wolde-Yohannes, and Tircuit (Adjunct); Philosopher David Lane is absent due to illness.

October Minutes

- The October 2015 minutes were approved, with one minor change requested.
 - Minute-Taker Stewart Thomas requested that the minutes reflect that her absence at last month's meeting was due to illness.
- Because Minute-Taker Stewart Thomas, as well as Sociologist Rillorta and Philosopher Diem-Lane were inadvertently overlooked when substitute Minute-Taker Tircuit sent out last month's minutes, she requested that Chairperson Gallarde send her the most recent version of the minutes so that she could forward them to the Division as well as to Drs. Rillorta and Diem-Lane.

Announcements

- The Human Trafficking Conference organized by Chairperson Gallarde was a success.
- Sociologist Stewart Thomas attended the Latino Family Book Fair, held on campus Nov. 7, and suggested that the Humanities Division assist in sponsoring and promoting the event next year..
- Sociologist Stewart Thomas attended the Veteran's Resource Fair held last week during Veteran's Week and obtained mental health resources for her students.
- Sociologist Hatch has two students presenting at SCCOR next month. Jovi Trejo is presenting on de factor segregation in high school and Albert Castro is reporting on Beowulf.
- Philosopher McGruder sponsored a student, Alex Juarez, for the 20th Anniversary of the Million Man March.
- Philosopher McGruder will be attending Voyage of Pluto at the planetarium this Friday.
- The December 9 meeting will begin at 10:30 am, after we finish our morning final exams

Enrollment

Faculty were encouraged to check Winter 2016 enrollment, keeping in mind that Dec. 11 and Dec 22 are the drop dates for nonpayment.

Scheduling

- Spring 2016 is finalized in the Division.
- Summer 2016 draft is finalized within the department.

- Any changes to Fall 2016 are due immediately to Chairperson Gallarde. ~~Teresa~~ The Division deadline is ~~wants them by~~ Thanksgiving.

Budget

Sociologist Stewart Thomas is requesting grading pens for her students to use in class.

SLO/PLO/ILO

In 2016 we need to collect data for SLOs.

Faculty Association Report

- I. Philosopher Ivan Tircuit presented a report on the Nov. 3 FA meeting.
- II. A full-timer is still needed to attend FA meetings; they meet the first Tuesday of the month from 11:30 – 1pm; Sociologist Stewart Thomas will see if she can attend the meetings.

Curriculum

The submissions we made are still pending.

Miscellaneous

- Chairperson Gallarde encouraged us to thank Jennifer, the student worker, for her hard work. Chairperson Gallarde also reviewed the grading limits of the student worker. ~~explained that although some student workers are permitted to do some light grading for faculty, Jennifer is not in that category and should not be asked. She is, however, permitted to run scantrons but nothing more. Initially we were going to hire two student workers this academic year, one of which could assist with the grading of objective materials (never papers), but that fell through.~~
- ~~Faculty were encouraged to engage in self care and listen to their bodies when rest or time off is needed.~~

Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned after all business was discussed.

Minutes prepared by Minute-Taker Stewart Thomas