

Sociology and Philosophy Meeting Minutes

September 16, 2015

Call to Order

The meeting began at 3 p.m.

Attendance:

Present: Dean Jenkins (partial attendance); Chairperson Gallarde; Sociologists Hatch, Stewart Thomas, and Coronel (Adjunct); Philosophers McGruder, Wolde-Yohannes, and Tircuit (Adjunct)

Minutes Approval

The August 2015 minutes were approved pending edits

Announcements

- The annual Human Trafficking Conference is scheduled for Saturday, Nov. 7 from 9 am – noon
- Sociologist Hatch shared highlights from a paper that was presented at the CUR Undergraduate Research Conference held June 25, 2015 in Norman, OK. The paper is titled “Ways to Provide Responsible Conduct of Research Training”

Reports

- Sociologist Hatch shared guidelines for the Soc norm breaking experiment.

Enrollment, Scheduling and Deadlines

- I. Three Soc classes were cancelled and six have enrollment less than 70%; four sections in Phil have enrollment less than 70%
 - a. Adjustments were made to Spr/Fall 2016 schedules to tighten the schedule further
- II. Dean Jenkins discussed how the economy has impacted enrollment
- III. Fall 2016 schedules should be sent to Chairperson Gallarde **by the end of September**
- IV. The issue of classroom availability was discussed, especially for classes scheduled during prime time.

Curriculum

- I. A vote was called to approve modifications to Soc 36 and Soc 7. The modifications were approved.

Faculty Evaluations

- I. An explanations must be given when assigning a rating of either 1 or 3 when doing faculty evaluations

SLO/PLO/ILO

- I. Chairperson Gallarde will be mapping (i.e. showing the connections between) SLOs, PLOs, and ILOs. Anyone interested in assisting should contact her.

Faculty Representatives

- I. Philosopher Wolde-Yohannes volunteered to be the Faculty Association rep; the department thanked him; Sociologist Stewart Thomas said she also has an interest in FA and will try to make some of the Tuesday meetings
- II. A representative for Academic Senate is still needed

Supplies/Equipment

- I. Send supply requests to Chairperson Gallarde
- II. A new printer has been ordered. In the meantime, there is a working printer in the copy room.

Hiring

- I. Dean Jenkins discussed how SAP ranks in terms of hiring and commended Chairperson Gallarde for her work on the RFP (Request for a Faculty Position)
 - a. Barring a move up the rank, we can expect to hire within the next 2 – 3 years

Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned after all business was discussed.

Minutes prepared by Minute-Taker Stewart Thomas