

Sign Language Interpreting Department

Department Meeting Minutes

April 9, 2015

Present: Bob Augustus, George Dorough, Bob Stuard

I INTERPRETING PANEL - NEXT YEAR IDEAS FOR ADVERTISING?

The recent Working Interpreters Panel Sponsored by Job Placement and DSPS was a great success. Bob Stuard attended this function (he took his SIGN 108 course to the event held in Building 13 Auditorium). There was a good variety of interpreters that shared on a wide variety of topics.

This was a must see for anyone considering a career as an ASL interpreter. There was a good representation of our students, but we could do a better job supporting this event by more aggressively advertising it. We made plans to do so for next years panel.

II FALL 2015 SCHEDULE, ANY LAST MINUTE CHANGES?

Tina Jenkins contacted Bob Stuard asking for an adjustment in the Fall Schedule. Now that she is working full time on campus, she is obligated to work until 4:00 p.m.. This resulted in a needed change to when she will be teaching her SIGN 240 class. With the adjustment it is now scheduled on Wednesday afternoons from 4:15-6:20 p.m.. We confirmed that this was not in conflict with any other offerings that students at this level would be taking.

III SUMMER 2015

We confirmed our Summer offerings at our last meeting. Bob A. is still uncertain about teaching in the Summer. He needs to let us know soon. In the meanwhile we will check with some of our adjuncts to see if any of them would be available to teach the evening section of SIGN 101

IV ADJUNCT EVALUATIONS

We reviewed our evaluation assignments. Some of the people we hoped to evaluate in the Fall had to be moved to the Spring. With the new contract people without rehire rights have to be evaluated much more often adding to the work load of the entire department, but in particular, the department chairs.

The Association failed to consult with Chairs before making this change. They have a history of adding to the workload of department chairs and then after the fact trying to negotiate for more reassigned time.

V STUDY ABROAD PROPOSAL SUMMER 2016

George Dorrough and Bob Stuard will be submitting an abstract proposal to the Study Abroad office. The proposal will be for a Study Abroad program in which students will take SIGN 101 and LCOM 100 (Learning Communities) in Paris France during the Summer 2016 session. This proposal is due by the end of April. If it is approved a full proposal must be developed and submitted before the end of May

IV SLO WHICH COURSES??

We need to take another look at our SLO cycle and confirm that it corresponds with our Course review cycle. If courses are not up to date with assessment work they will not be approved and will not be allowed to be offered.