

Liberal Arts Council Meeting November 8, 2011

Present: M. Aakhus, M. Dixon, T. Bordelon, J. Evey, K. Waters, S. Spencer, E. Wasserman, I. Phillips, T. Hunt, R. Gennaro, R. Priest, MT HallockMorris, W. Rinks, C. York and B. Christie.

I. Minutes

Council meeting minutes from 10/25/11 and 11/1/11 were reviewed and approved.

II. MALS Draft Proposal – T. Bordelon

Discussion of the document detailing the MALS Director's responsibilities that T. Bordelon had distributed previously. Council members engaged in a lengthy discussion about the program's future goals, plans, and how the director would be evaluated.

III. Alumni Speaker for Spring Commencement 2012

M. Aakhus requested the names of any distinguished alumni who might deliver the commencement address. Please forward names to him as soon as possible.

IV. Open Items from the Chairs

I. Phillips sought clarification concerning whether or not faculty are allowed to request stipends for CLAFDA grants.

V. Announcements

K. Waters - The Art Department announced that the Senior Seminar exhibit opened on November 7.

S. Spencer – RopeWalk guest speaker, novelist Annam Manthiram, will read from her novel *After the Tsunami* on November 10 in Carter Hall D, 5:00-6:30.

I. Phillips - "Veterans for Peace" will hold an event on Thursday November 10.

MT HallockMorris – Announced that M. Hankawill present "Why are Foreclosures Highest in African American Neighborhoods? A Case Study of a Middle Size City" for the Liberal Arts Faculty Colloquium Series on Friday November 11 in Kleymeyer Hall at 3:30. The original document of the Faculty Senate for Tenure and Promotion supports the faculty handbook.

E. Wasserman – Theatre's production of "Rent" will open on Friday November 11 and will run until Friday November 18.

J. Evey – Announced that the "Community of Scholars" presentations will take place on Thursday November 17 at 6:00 in Carter Hall and on Friday November 18 at 11:00 in ED 1101.

Meeting was adjourned at 10:00 am.