

College of Liberal Arts Council Meeting
October 19, 2010

Present: M. Aakhus, R. Priest, J. deJong, E. Wasserman, R. Gennaro, S. Rode, S. Spencer, P. Aakhus, T. Hunt, W. Rinks, J. Evey, M.T. Hallock Morris, P. Kaur, and B. Christie.

I. **Approval of Minutes from 10-5-10** – Minutes were approved.

II. **Exploring Majors Fair**

Most of the Liberal Arts departments will be represented at this event, October 21, 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. in Carter Hall.

III. **LARA Grants**

LARA applications will be sent to council members electronically for voting. Ballots should be returned to P. Kaur on Monday, October 25th before 4:00 p.m. Criteria for selection should be based on merit of the project only. J. deJong suggested placing the names of the recipients of both the LARA and CLAFDA awards on the LA website.

IV. **Society for Arts & Humanities Student Development Fund**

This fund has been set up through the USI Foundation for student development in the departments of Art, English, History, Philosophy, Performing Arts, Humanities, International Studies, and Modern & Classical Languages. Faculty should apply for these funds. Neal Franklin, Chair of the Society, will be present at the end of today's meeting to discuss use of the funds. M. Aakhus is also working on another Foundation fund for students in LA programs and departments not included in the Society's list.

V. **Academic Planning Council**

The meeting for this group has been moved to October 25th at 1:00 p.m. in UC 206. J. Galbus and P. Shaw will present the proposed MA in English. A. Torres will present the proposed undergraduate degree for Arts & Heritage Administration. Preparations are being made for two new majors: Gender Studies and American Studies.

VI. **New Business**

R. Priest asked that students from Sociology, Anthropology, and Criminal Justice Studies must have their drop slips for classes signed by their advisor. Faculty members will have office hours posted for student information.

T. Hunt reported that, due to a change of policy during the summer, the College of Education is no longer accepting articulation agreements for Social Science Teaching majors. The new changes will be further discussed.

Announcements from Departments

English- Andrew Porter is author for the next RopeWalk reading scheduled this Thursday at 5:00 p.m. in Carter Hall.

Sociology, Anthropology, and Criminal Justice Studies- The SAC Club is having a barbeque on October 30th in front of Sam's Club to support "Center for Employment Opportunities" or CEO. It helps ex-cons become gainfully employed.

Around the Table-

English – A. Shen's full-length play, *Entitled*, has been published in the Fall 2010 issue of *Southern Theatre* magazine. The play is the winner of the Southeastern Theatre Conference's Charles M. Getchell New Play Award.

History - M. Rothwell, "The Chinese Revolution and Latin America: The Impact of Global Communist Networks on Latin American Social Movements and Guerrilla Groups," presented at the conference "Cold War Encounters: National, International and Transnational History in the 20th Century," University of Waterloo, Ontario, Canada, October 16, 2010.

K. Shefeland, "Contests over Land and the Exchange of Violence in Colonial Virginia, 1646-1718," presented at the annual meeting of the American Society for Ethnohistory, October 14, 2010.

Modern & Classical Languages - In conjunction with the Nutrition Club and the Multicultural Center, the Department of Modern and Classical Languages hosted a cooking and culture class, *A Spread of German Flavor*, October 20, 2010, at 3:00p.m. The Nutrition Club and the Department of Modern and Classical Languages received a \$1,620 grant from the *Southwest Indiana Area Health Education Center* (AWIAHEC) for this event.