

Liberal Arts Council Meeting
February 22, 2011

Present: M. Aakhus, J. Evey, R. Priest, M. Dixon, J. deJong, E. Wasserman, S. Rode, S. Spencer, R. Gennaro, M. Hallock Morris, W. Rinks, C. York, and B. Christie.

I. Minutes for Approval

No minutes were available for approval.

II. History Program Modifications

The council unanimously approved the modifications to the History minor and major.

III. Core Curriculum Review Committee

Faculty Senate is requesting nominations from Liberal Arts for faculty members to represent the College on a task force to review the core curriculum. Nominations and self-nominations will be accepted. J. Evey will set up an electronic vote to select four LA faculty members. These four nominees will then be part of the university wide election. Two from each College will be selected to serve on the task force.

IV. Affiliate Status for Faculty

R. Priest was informed by K. Draughon that N. Bambina is already listed as an affiliate faculty member of the University. A motion was made to approve the existing affiliation and the motion passed after a brief discussion. There are currently LA affiliates in Departments of Performing Arts and Sociology, Anthropology, and Criminal Justice Studies.

Announcements

Communications – The Department of Communications and Scripps Howard Center for Media Studies will present the second annual symposium on "The Impact of Social Media on Communications" at 7 p.m. Monday, February 28 in Carter Hall. This year's speaker, Jamaison Schuler, is a 1998 USI graduate with a degree in communications. Mr. Schuler will present "Companies on Twitter: Keeping the Social in 'Social Media'." He is a manager in corporate communications at the nation's largest dairy company, Dean Foods.