

Liberal Arts Council Meeting
September 15, 2009

Present: D. Glassman, M. Aakhus, R. Priest, S. Spencer, R. Gennaro, E. Wasserman, S. Rode, J. Evey, J. deJong, T. Hunt, MT Hallock Morris, P. Aakhus, A. Torres, B. Christie

Absent: W. Rinks **Guest:** W. Durham, Communications

I. Approval of Minutes from 09/08/09 Minutes were approved as amended.

II. Peer Review of Teaching

The focus of peer review of teaching is on outcomes to provide data and identify issues. All members of evaluation committees and the department chair should evaluate probationary faculty members. These are important for tenure and promotion decisions.

III. Program Modification Petition: Anthropology

R. Priest reviewed the petition; it was approved after a brief discussion.

IV. Upcoming Webcasts

USI has a webinar today at 12:00 pm in ED 1101 entitled "H1N1 – Campus Management". This Thursday, September 17th, the webinar, "Reaching and Retaining Students- Academic Advising" will be shown from 1:00 to 2:30 pm in HP 1027. Department chairs were asked to have faculty members attend both of these presentations and report on them at their departmental meetings.

V. Exploring Majors Fair

All LA departments should make plans to be represented at this important event on Thursday, October 22, from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. in Carter Hall. This is an opportunity to showcase majors and provide information to students.

VI. Inauguration Events and Class Absence

The USI presidential inauguration is October 15th. The Dean will contact the Provost and the President about the University's expectations for this event regarding class absences.

VII. Meeting in Vincennes

USI and Vincennes University have a reciprocity with regard to enrollment. This year's meeting is Tuesday, September 29th. It provides an opportunity to connect with students. The Dean needs to know who plans to go by 4:30 today.

VIII. Southern Hospitality Days

There are 8 Hospitality Days each academic year. The next one will be Saturday, September 19th. All LA departments are represented; email Shannon Hile to make arrangements.

IX. College Civility

LA strives to foster collegiality and respect among faculty members. Chairs are reminded to discuss these issues with their faculty. Please talk with your staff and address concerns as appropriate.

X. Academic Affairs

J. Wingo from Institutional Research has requested to attend an LAC meeting to share information regarding online course evaluations.

J. Deem has been appointed as the temporary Director of Counseling Services.

Connect with Southern Indiana is a leadership program that allows USI faculty members to work with community businesses and organizations. Encourage faculty to apply.

The commencement procedures for this year have not changed. For December graduation, all program directors, department chairs and deans are required to attend, and all faculty members are invited. For Spring 2010, all program directors, department chairs, deans and full-time and returning faculty are required to attend, dressed in full regalia. Any absences must be approved by the Dean.

XI. Core Curriculum Assessment

The core continues to be reviewed. Faculty were nominated to serve on the review committee as they prepare to review Category C of the Core Curriculum.

XII. Around the Table

Sociology, Anthropology, and Criminal Justice Studies –

N. Bambina, Director of the Honors Program, was featured on NPR's Science Fridays Program for her book about medical sociology.

Modern and Classical Languages –

The department, in celebrating the Hispanic Heritage Month, proudly presents the acclaimed Spanish guitar artist Maestro Soler on October 5th at 7 pm in Carter Hall, www.telefonica.net/web2/fpsoler/.

Art -

L. Dowhie had his ceramic work published in Lark Books: 500 Sculptures 2009

C. Roth had her work accepted into the post card show, "Wish You Were Here 8", A.I.R. Gallery, New York, NY.

A. Kosten had two works accepted into The Mid-America Print Council Members Juried Exhibition, a national exhibition at the Kenneth P. McCutchan Art Center / Palmina F. and Stephen S. Pace Galleries.

Political Science –

Constitution Day is Friday, September 18. Gene Policinski, executive director of the First Amendment Center at Vanderbilt University, will present "State of the First Amendment in 2009" in Carter Hall at 2pm. After his public address, Mr. Policinski will participate in a Q&A/discussion in Kleymeyer Hall with interested faculty and students on First Amendment and media issues. The formal presentation is sponsored by the UCC; the Q/A session was organized by W.R. Mack.

History –

There is a Veteran's Day event planning committee forming on campus – anyone interested, particularly student groups, should contact T. Hunt.

Communications –

Y. Lee had two papers accepted over the summer, the first with A. Mark of Psychology:

Lee, Y.J., Haley, E. & Mark, A. (Forthcoming). The effects of corporate social responsibility orientation (CSRO) on the consumer's perception of advertiser's intention. *Journal of Current Issues and Research in Advertising*.

Lee, Y.J. & Clark, N. (2009). "I'm saying this for Uncle Sam!" How corporations used images of family to help fund World War II. *Advertising & Society Review*, 10(2).

S. Young published two papers this year:

Young, S. L. (2009). Half and half: An (auto)ethnography of hybrid identities in a Korean-American mother-daughter relationship. *Journal of International and Intercultural Communication*, 2(2), 139-167.

Aden, R., Han, M. W., Norander, S., Pfahl, M. E., Pollock, T. P., & **Young, S. L.** (2009). Re-collection: A proposal for refining the study of collective memory and its places. *Communication Theory*, 19, 311-336.