

**Liberal Arts Council**  
**February 11, 2014**

Present: M. Aakhus, T. Bordelon, M. Dixon, T. Schroer, J. deJong, J. Hardgrave, S. Rode, I. Phillips, S. Spencer, J. Evey, W. Rinks, N. LaRowe (for MT Hallock Morris), C. Rivera, R. Gennao, E. Wasserman, C. York, P. Moore, and B. Christie.

The meeting started at 9:00 a.m.

**I. New Course/Course Modification Petitions**

ENG 226. S. Spencer introduced the petition for the new course ENG 226: Introduction to Folklore. Some questions were asked about the proposal to petition this course as an elective within the World Languages and Cultures category of the Core 39, as it appears to focus on American folklore. The petition was approved unanimously.

JRN 273. W. Rinks introduced the petition to modify the pre-requisites for JRN 273: Digital Photography. The petition was approved unanimously.

**II. Budget Requests**

M. Aakhus reminded chairs to submit budget requests if this has not been done already. C. York will prepare a ballot for chairs to rank the requests.

**III. 2014-2015 e-Bulletin**

M. Dixon reminded chairs of the timeline that had been distributed for edits to the 2014-2015 e-Bulletin.

**IV. Advising**

M. Dixon initiated a general discussion of the proposed Liberal Arts faculty advisors. General concerns were expressed regarding the time required of the advisors and the number of advisees for whom they would be responsible.

**V. Green Book, Second Edition, Revised**

M. Aakhus asked if chairs had had enough time to review the proposed revisions to the Green Book, Second Edition, Revised. Most still need some time to complete this. M. Aakhus would like to complete this process by the end of the spring semester.

**VI. Open Items from Chairs**

J. Hardgrave announced that the Department of History will sponsor this year's Berger Lecture. Mattie Miller, a retired Evansville teacher, will give a presentation on race relations in education. The presentation, entitled "Integration Experiences in Public Education Then and Now," will take place on Wednesday March 19 at 4:00 p.m. in Rice Library 0017.

J. deJong reported that syndicated cartoonist John McPherson will present on his work that has been circulated internationally in many newspapers. His presentation will be held on February 26 in the Rice Library, room 0017 at 6:30 p.m. M. Aakhus thanked the departments of Art and World Languages and Cultures for their collaboration on this event.

C. Rivera requested that chairs share with faculty information about "Ain't I a Woman," a chamber music theater piece that will be performed in Mitchell Auditorium on Saturday March 1 at 7:00 p.m. A theater and piano master class for students will also be held on the same day at 1:00 p.m. in TC 116. Both events are planned in celebration of Black History Month.

N. LaRowe announced that the Annual Law Day will take place on April 15 and that a mock trial is planned as part of the event.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:42 a.m.