

**Liberal Arts Council**  
**April 22, 2014**

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

Absent: T. Bordelon and R. Gennaro

Guest: Tracy Adams, Financial Aid

The meeting started at 9:00 a.m.

**I. Work-Study Students**

T. Adams (Financial Aid) addressed chairs about available funding for work-study students and how work-study can be used as a means of retention. Money is awarded on a first-come, first-serve basis. Student workers may work a maximum of twenty hours per week, although not all work this much. USI currently expends its full allotment of available funding for work-study students.

**II. Program Modifications**

W. Rinks introduced the program modification petitions for Journalism, Public Relations and Advertising, and Radio and Television. The decision not to seek reaccreditation has allowed the department to remove specific regulations from these three programs and has prompted the modifications. The petitions were approved unanimously.

**III. Contexts and Criteria (Green Book), Second Edition, Revised**

M. Dixon reported that he had made all corrections to Contexts and Criteria, Second Edition, Revised that had been suggested by chairs. Adoption of Contexts and Criteria, Second Edition, Revised was approved unanimously. It will be uploaded to the Liberal Arts web site.

**IV. Open Items from Chairs**

J. Hardgrave announced that Brianna Theobold (Ph.D. candidate, Arizona State University) will be on campus Thursday April 24 and she will be available to meet with students, staff and faculty over brunch at 10:00 a.m. in FC 206. Anyone interested in attending should please RSVP to J. Hardgrave.

I. Phillips reported that the Center for Social Justice Education will collaborate with the YMCA for its Stand Against Racism movement on Friday April 25.

S. Spencer announced that Adrian Matejka will read his poetry for the Ropewalk Visiting Writers Reading Series on Wednesday April 23 at 6:00 p.m. in Traditions Lounge.

**V. Announcements**

M. Aakhus requested the names of individuals who are interested in serving on the Blackboard Steering Committee.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:58 a.m.