**College of Liberal Arts**  
**Meeting Minutes**  
**Friday, October 26, 2007**

**Location:** UC Bayview Room 320

**Attendance:**

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Minutes

Dr. Mermann-Jozwiak called the meeting to order at 1:05 p.m.

I. Approval of the minutes of the college meeting from September 28, 2007.
   The minutes were approved unanimously.

II. Announcements

   Dr. Mermann-Jozwiak made the following announcements:

   • Next College meeting, December 7, 2007, 1:00-3:00PM

   Special Presentation: Joseph Miller, Director of Education and Youth Programs in
   Community Outreach presented the faculty with information regarding the dual credit
   program the university is planning to implement. It will provide area high school students the
   opportunity to receive college credits by attending selected courses on campus. Discussion
   followed and Joseph Miller asked that any concerns or suggestions be emailed to him for further
   review and discussion in a future meeting with the Dean and department chairs.

III. Committee Reports

   i. College FPAC

   DHUM & DENG (Catherine Cox)

   No report

   DPSYC & DSOC (Dan Jorgensen)

   Dan Jorgensen reported that the committee has conducted interviews with candidates
   and will be forwarding recommendations to the Dean in early November.

   DART, DCOM, DMUS (Bill Huie)

   No report

   ii. FTSCA (The Faculty Teaching and Scholarly/Creative Activity Committee)

   Jo Rios announced that FTSCA will hold the first teaching circle luncheon in October.
   Two additional ones will be held in spring.

   iii. Curriculum

   Alan Hansen presented a list of new courses and course changes that had been approved
   by the Curriculum Committee.
iv. Awards

No Report

Other Reports

i. Faculty Senate

Mark Hartlaub reported that the Senate has been working with the provost regarding the Social Security attestation form updates and has had discussions regarding evaluations for administrators who impact faculty. The Senate will also look into tuition waivers for family members.

ii. Associate Dean

No report

iii. Faculty Searches

Department Chairs gave a brief update on faculty searches in their departments. There are 3 positions in Music, 4 positions in the Social Sciences, 1 position in English, and 1 position in Psychology.

iv. Technology

No report

v. Graduate Council

No Report

vi. Others

IV. Old Business

None

V. New Business

ACTION ITEMS

1. SPAN Core courses
   Elimination of SPAN 3306 and substitution of SPAN 3307, 3308, 3309, and 3310 to satisfy the University Core Curriculum requirement.
Dr. Pat Carroll put forth a motion for approval; Dr. David Mead seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

2. SPAN program changes
   • Deletion of FLR and substitution of Second Language Requirement;
   • Addition of SPAN 3306 to the list of Spanish electives in the major.

Dr. Sam Logsdon put forth a motion for approval; Dr. Pat Carroll seconded the motion. The motion passed with 2 opposing.

3. MA in Communication: new program

Dr. David Mead put forth a motion for approval; Dr. Catherine Cox seconded the motion. The motion passed with 1 opposing.

4. MA and MFA in ART program change
   Increase in elective hours.

Dr. David Mead put forth a motion for approval; Dr. Kelly Quintanilla seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

5. ENGL program changes
   Certification in English Language Arts (4-8)
   • replacement of ENGL 3322 with ENGL 4370;
   • removal of READ 3320 and READ 4380 from the list of required courses;
   • removal of the 3-hour COMM requirement (either COMM 1307 or COMM 3310) from the list of required courses.

Dr. Pat Carroll put forth a motion for approval; Dr. Anthony Quiroz seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

6. HIST--Social Studies program changes:
   • Social Studies 4-8: Addition of ENGL 4361 to the list of options beginning with HIST 4336, and addition of sophomore literature course (ENGL 2332 or 2333) requirement;
   • Social Studies 8-12: Deletion of HIST 4344 from the list beginning with HIST 3315 and deletion of ENGL 3360, 3361, 3366, and 3379 from the list beginning with ENGL 2332.

Dr. Kelly Quintanilla put forth a motion for approval; Dr. Carlos Huerta seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

7. MUSI program changes:
   • BA in Music: reduction of Music hours from 53 to 47, and reduction of electives to meet 120-hour requirement;
   • BA in Music Performance (Vocal and Instrumental): reduction to 125 hours by
eliminating elective credits;

- BA in Music TC (Vocal and Instrumental): increase in hours from 139 to 140 due to reinstatement of University Core Curriculum course work.

Dr. Pat Carroll put forth a motion for approval; Mark Anderson seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

8. THEA program change
   Addition of Dance classes as electives for the Acting/Directing Focus area.

Dr. Diana Ivy put forth a motion for approval; Dr. Javier Villarreal seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

9. MA in History program changes:
   - Elimination of language that privileges the thesis track over the exam track in order to encourage secondary teachers and other non-PhD track students to apply.
   - Elimination of language that suggests the program’s particular emphasis on the history of Corpus Christi and South Texas and revision of courses accordingly (HIST 5335 and 5336);
   - Modification of admissions requirements: eliminating the statement of purpose, decreasing in the number of letters of recommendation from three to two, and lowering the number of upper division History courses required by applicants in order to encourage non-history majors to apply;
   - Decrease in the number of core courses to two – one in research and one in historiography – thus allowing students more electives and giving the faculty more flexibility in scheduling;
   - Decrease in the number of hours of coursework required of thesis-track students from 30 to 24, to bring the program in line with comparable programs nationwide.

Dr. Kelly Quintanilla put forth a motion for approval; Dr. David Mead seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

10. College Key Policy

   Faculty discussed issues regarding the policy wording and procedures

Dr. Carlos Huerta put forth a motion to table the policy for further revisions; Dr. Charles Etheridge seconded the motion. The motion passed with 2 opposed.

VI. Dean’s Report

   No Report

VII. Good of the Order
Dr. Ivy announced that she and Dr. Huerta are now on the university retention task force committee and if any one has any comments or concerns regarding retention please send them an email.

Dan Jorgensen invited junior faculty to attend the FTSCA teaching circles.

Charles Etheridge reminded everyone to listen to 1440 KEYS Saturday morning for his Saturday morning book club.

Susan Garza announced that the Faculty Renaissance Center room CCH 262 is available to faculty for work/meeting space.

Bill Huie invited faculty to attend the viewing of the “The Wild Man of the Navidad” which was produced by some of our 1999 communication graduates.

Carey Rote announced the opening of a graduate student’s exhibit in the islander gallery.

Sam Logsdon announced that Jose Flores was having a recital in the PAC and invited everyone to attend.

VIII. Adjournment

Meeting adjourned at approximately 2:11 PM

Respectfully submitted by Rebecca Serda, Administrative Assistant