

College of Liberal Arts and Sciences
Faculty Council Meeting
October 06, 2011

Members Present: Allen Goodman, Mark Ferguson, renee hoogland, Charles Parrish, Geoff Nathan, Marsha Richmond, Fred Pearson, John Klein, Anne Duggan, Larry Lombard, Eric Lambert, Ed Golenberg, Elizabeth Lublin, Pramod Khosla, Boris Baltes, Markus Friedrich, Claudio Verani

Attending: Donald Haase, Christine Chow, Caroline Brzuchowski, Paul Clemens, Joe Rankin, Robert Thomas, Ellen Barton, Robert Aguirre

Absent With Notice: Mary Cay Sengstock

The meeting was called to order at 9:30.

The minutes of the September 01, 2011 meeting were approved.

Ellen Barton (Chair) and Robert Aguirre (Associate Chair) presented the English Department's proposed revisions to its BA in English. After much discussion, the motion to approve the proposal passed.

Back in the spring, council discussed—but did not vote—on a proposal to allow MAT 1110 and 1120 to count towards graduation for CLAS students. Council had asked Joe Rankin to seek the opinion of Mathematics Chair Dan Frohardt on the matter. Frohardt responded by saying that “it would make sense as a matter of consistency to provide such credit.” With that input from Frohardt, council approved the motion to change the wording in the course catalogue so that those courses do count toward CLAS graduation.

Mark Ferguson noted that Ljiljana Progovac (Humanities), Charles Parrish (Social Sciences), and Boris Baltes (Sciences) were elected to the dean search committee. The vote totals were as follows:

HUMANITIES

Ljiljana Progovac	English	133
Barrett Watten	English	60

SOCIAL SCIENCES

Charles Parrish	Political Science	70
Tamara Bray	Anthropology	58
Hans Hummer	History	45
Susan Ward	Anthropology	22
Steven Stack	Criminal Justice	12

SCIENCES

Boris Baltes	Psychology	76
David Crich	Chemistry	52
Debra Zebari	NFS	43
Lori Pile	Biology	24
Aleksandar Popadic	Biology	15

In response to a request from Fred Pearson at the September meeting—itsself a follow-up to a motion that had passed at the May meeting—Ferguson said that he'd contacted Provost Brown about the issue of annual faculty reviews, and that the provost has agreed to meet with council at its December 1 meeting.

Don Haase noted that nominations for Article XXX Committees are due to the provost's office by October 24. He said that a call for nominations would be sent to the college Listserv, and that nominations should be sent to Caroline Brzuchowski by October 17.

As a member of the Curriculum Committee, Larry Lombard asked that the full council be allowed to consider the proposal for a new course in statistics from the Sociology Department, as the issue of the proliferation of statistics courses has been discussed many times previously. Though there was some feeling that the abundance of such courses is redundant, a motion to have the Curriculum Committee consider the Sociology course on its own merits was approved.

The meeting adjourned at 10:55.