MINUTES
COLLEGE OF ARTS AND SCIENCES
FACULTY ASSEMBLY
January 29, 2013

11:30 a.m.  Kinard Auditorium

I. Meeting was called to order by Dr. Dave Pretty at 11:33 AM. A quorum was present. The minutes of the October 19, 2012 meeting were approved.

II. Report from Curriculum Committee ……………………………Kristin Kiblinger

Dr. Kristin Kiblinger presented a report from the December 4, 2012 curriculum committee meeting.

The following course change proposals were reviewed and approved.

Department of Philosophy and Religious Studies
- Add New Course – PHIL 310 (3) Theories of Knowledge.
- Add New Course – PHIL 312 (3) Theories of Reality.
- Drop Course – PHIL 410 (3) Theories of Knowledge.
- Drop Course – PHIL 412 (3) Metaphysics.

Department of Political Science
- Modify Courses - PLSC 471, 472, 473 (1, 2, 3). Modification changes the grade basis to S/U.

Department of Social Work
- Drop Course – SCWK 201 (1) Introduction to Social Work: IT Lab.
- Drop Course – SCWK 202 (3) Special Directed Volunteer Experience.
- Modify Courses – SCWK 395 to 430 (3); SCWK 434 to 431 (3); SCWK 432; SCWK 433 (3); SCWK 443 (12); SCWK 463 (3); SCWK 531 (3). Modifications change some course numbers and some pre-requisites or credit hours, and then handling the ripple effects.

The following program changes were reviewed and approved.

Department of Political Science
- Modify Program – BA in Political Science. Changes reflect updates in course offerings, enhance clarity, and/or deal with insurance and scholarship issues pertaining to internships

Department of Psychology
- **Modify Program** – BA in Psychology. Changes eliminate redundancy by dropping one course from offerings and requirements, making an elective required instead.

**Department of Social Work**
- **Modify Program** – BSW in Social Work.
- **Modify Program** – Minor in Social Welfare.

The following **blanket petitions** were reviewed and approved.

**Request from English**: That students in Literature and Language track of the English major in catalogs prior to '12-13 be permitted to include HIST 550 in a list of course choices pertaining to the HIST requirement. Also, that students in the WRIT track of all catalogs be able to include any CSCI 101 lab course in a list of course choices pertaining to the Creative Writing and Writing for Business and Professions requirement.

**Request from Honors Program**: That HONR 232H Special Topics in Arts and Humanities be able to count as an approved course in the Humanities minor and that HONR 234H Special Topics in Social Sciences be able to count as an approved course in the Social Sciences minor.

**Request from Political Science**: Allow PLSC 510 to count toward the Comparative/International Relations requirement in the major when the course is offered as “Women and Revolution.” Applied to all options and concentrations.

Seventeen **student petitions** were reviewed, sixteen were approved and one was rejected.

Dr. Kristin Kibbling presented a proposal on behalf of the Curriculum Committee to change the wording in the catalog from “Non-native speakers of English can petition the College of Arts and Sciences Curriculum Committee for possible exemption from the foreign language requirement.” (pg. 19) to “Upon petition to the CAS Curriculum Committee, native speakers of a language other than English will be excused from the foreign language requirement. “Native speaker” is defined as one who has achieved a high level of reading, writing, speaking, and listening ability in that language. This would be demonstrated by having completed significant secondary schooling in that language or by having other proof of that level of ability.” This proposal was approved.

Dr. Kristin Kibbling presented a report from the January 17, 2013 curriculum committee meeting.

The following **course change** proposals were reviewed and approved.

**Department of Psychology**
- **Add New Course** – PSYC 402 (3) Positive Psychology.
- **Add New Course** – PSYC 517 (3) Psychology of Aging.
Modify Course – PSYC 213 (3) Abnormal Psychology. Modification changes the course number to a 200-level course to increase the number of 200-level offerings and because this course is appropriate for sophomores. The following program changes were reviewed and approved.

Department of English
- Modify Program – BA in English/Literature and Language. 500-level coursework is required to ensure that students take more advanced coursework.

The following blanket petitions were reviewed and approved.

Request from English: All students in all tracks in the major in catalogs through 2012-13 be permitted to count WRIT 367x Technical Editing towards major requirements.

Eight student petitions were reviewed and approved.

III. New Business

Dean Gloria Jones gave the assembly the following update on the CAS Dean Search:
- Drs. Beth Costner and Karen Kedrowski are the two candidates for the CAS Dean position.
- The faculty will have a chance to listen to a short presentation and ask questions of the candidates. The faculty will meet with Dr. Beth Costner on February 5, 2013 and Dr. Karen Kedrowski on February 7, 2013. Both meetings will be held at 11:30 am in Owens G01.
- The meetings mentioned above will be videotaped for faculty who cannot attend. Dean Jones will send an email with a link to the video and an evaluation form for each candidate for faculty to fill out.

IV. Announcements

Dr. Dave Pretty announced a short graduate committee meeting following the Faculty Assembly.

V. Dean’s Remarks…………………………………………….Peter Judge, Interim Dean

Dean Judge opened his remarks by thanking the faculty for attending this assembly. He commented that we will have our next faculty assembly on February 15, 2013. The reason for this date is that there will be an academic leadership retreat on March 29, 2013, so the committees for the 2013-2014 academic year need to be in place before the March 22, 2013 faculty assembly. He reminded faculty that they received an email from Dr. Jeannie Haubert detailing committee openings and urged faculty to speak with their chairs and volunteer for open slots.
Dean Judge also reported that all travel authorizations have been reviewed and responses have been sent out. He shared that about $88,000 was requested and he was able to promise $30,000. He stated that he understands some people are disappointed with their responses, but advised the faculty to turn in a reimbursement with any travel so he can hand out any unused funds that are available.

VI. Adjournment 11:58 AM.

Respectfully submitted,
Kristen Abernathy