

Liberal Studies Review Committee
Wednesday, February 19, 2014
10:00 a.m. ED 316

Members Present: Rajee Amarasinghe, Nan Barker, Paul Crosbie, Susan Macy, Kim Morin, James Mullooly, Susan Schlievert

Guests: Jessica Choy, Johnny Conley

The meeting was called to order at 10:10 am.

Approval of the Minutes

The minutes were approved as presented, with the addition of a request from Susan M that we use last name initials on the meeting minutes to identify committee members.

Approval of the Agenda

The agenda was approved as presented.

New Business

- **Liberal Studies Bylaws**
 - Susan S shared copies of the LS Bylaws from a Sept. 22, 2000 University Teacher Education Governance document. It was noted that under those bylaws, the committee is missing representation from the Agricultural Sciences and Technology department and a public school appointee. Susan S will check with Dr. Beare about the process to revise or review the bylaws as well as considerations for members or appointees.
- **Update on enrollment**
 - Susan S had Carol run the numbers for students enrolled in the Liberal Studies program for the past five years. The numbers have been relatively flat. The committee agreed that further investigation on additional years and numbers need to be reviewed before the next committee meeting.
- **Leaders for Annual Conference March 14, 2014**
 - The spring Liberal Studies Conference is now the Joint Higher Education Symposium on Common Core State Standards & New ELD Standards. It will be held at Fresno State on Friday, March 14 from 8:30 am to 1 pm at the North Gym 118. The event will include keynote speakers, breakout sessions, a continental breakfast and lunch. It is open to all community college and university faculty and staff.
 - Discussion centered on how many and what kind of breakout sessions would be offered. Susan M wanted to focus on common core and utilize faculty who are using it in teacher education, whether it's at the content or pedagogy level.
 - All committee members and other faculty/staff are encouraged to attend, even for a portion of the conference.

- Kim M volunteered to lead a breakout session in Arts and Humanities and Rajee A for one in math. The committee suggested asking Fred Nelson to conduct one for New Generation Sciences.

Continuing Business

The continuing business of the Liberal Studies Concentrations, SOAP and Technology Goal were moved to the next meeting.

Meeting was adjourned at 11:00 am.

Next meeting will be held on Wednesday, March 5, 2014 in ED 316 and consequently on the first and third Wednesdays of each month