

College of Liberal Arts and Sciences
Faculty Council Meeting
February 04, 2010

Members Present: Robert Reynolds, renee hoogland, Avis Vidal, Mark Baskaran, Allen Goodman, Mark Ferguson, Charles Parrish, Fred Pearson, Eric Lambert, Larry Lombard, Elizabeth Lublin, Caroline Morgan, David Coleman, Markus Friedrich

Attending: Robert Thomas, Donald Haase, Joseph Rankin, David Njus, Caroline Brzuchowski, Paul Clemens

Absent With Notice: John Klein, Allen Batteau, Seymour Wolfson, Mark Vanberkum

The meeting was called to order at 9:30.

The minutes of the January 07, 2010 meeting were approved.

David Njus asked for nominees for the CLAS Teaching Award and CLAS Technology Committees.

Dean Thomas spoke of the possibility of a 5%, 10%, or 15% cut to the college budget—cuts equivalent to \$2.9 million, \$5.8 million, and \$8.7 million. He noted his upcoming budget meetings with the college's Budget Advisory Committee and with the President.

Robert Reynolds asked for candidates for college elections. CLAS has 22 committee vacancies to be filled and thus needs 44 candidates at a minimum.

Charles Parrish asked about the teaching load report requested by the president's office. The dean and Donald Haase said that the college has collected information on course releases. Parrish said that WSU faculty teach 3.4 courses per year compared to 3.1 at MSU.

The meeting adjourned at 10:10.