

College of Liberal Arts and Sciences
Faculty Council Meeting
November 1, 2007

Members Present: Caroline Morgan, Roslyn Schindler, Charles Parrish, Larry Lombard, Bob Reynolds, Brad Roth, Avis Vidal, Boris Baltés, Marvin Zalman, Mark Ferguson, Seymour Wolfson, Geoff Nathan, John Klein, Allen Batteau

Attending: Robert Thomas, Don Spinelli, Dave Njus, Joe Rankin, Paul Clemens, Caroline Brzuchowski, Carmen Albert, Marc Kruman

Absent With Notice: David Coleman, Catherine Jen, Eric Ash, Robert Aguirre

The meeting was called to order at 9:30.

The minutes of the October 4, 2007 meeting were amended and approved.

Dave Njus introduced, on behalf of the Curriculum Committee, a proposal for a World History Graduate Certificate in the History Department. Marc Kruman, Chair of History, spoke of the need for greater teacher training in the area of world history and of the new graduate students such a certificate program would bring to the department. No new resources are required for the program. A motion to approve the program passed, with the understanding that the History Department will talk with the College of Education about coordination and collaboration and that, in the bulletin copy, it be made clear that, should students who earn the certificate go on to pursue a Masters, no more than nine credits from the certificate program will be counted toward the MA.

The revised Bylaws and Strategic Plan will be distributed for discussion before the next (December) meeting of council.

CLAS nominees for the Article XXX committees were once again sought. Nominees for the university Promotion and Tenure committee were particularly needed. Seymour Wolfson noted that the university P&T committee will have fifteen members next year, with three of those members coming from CLAS.

The dean let council know of the decline in summer revenue money that the college receives, and the difficulty this creates in budgeting. The reason for the decline—from around \$700,000 a few years ago to little more than \$400,000 now—is not immediately explicable.

The meeting adjourned at 10:40.