

Foreign Languages and Literature Department Meeting  
Neuberger Hall 393A  
February 2, 2006

Attending: Martha Hickey, Timm Menke, Anousha Sedighi, Nila Freidberg, Josphat Waruhiu, Cliff Breedlove, Robert Sanders, Maji Rhee, Galina Kogan, Inger Olsen, Angela Zagarella, David Thompson, Stephen Wadley, Kathie Godfrey, Ann Wales, Gina Greco, DeLys Ostlund, Jennifer Perlmutter, Pelin Basci, Jonathan Pease, Suwako Watanabe, Steven Walton

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER 3:15PM

Sandra Rosengrant recognized grants awarded to the following faculty, Nila Freidberg, David Thompson, Manya Wubbold, Angela Zagarella, and Kathie Godfrey. Congratulations also to Nila Friedberg on her new book *Formal Approaches to Poetry*.

An offer has been made to Nicholas Miller for the OS1 position. Nicholas is scheduled to begin work on February 6, 2006. His working hours will be from 10:00am until 7:00pm to accommodate evening instructors and also students needing help accessing their degree audit reports.

Foreign Languages and Literatures other OS1 position to replace Maureen Sheridan will be announced soon. Dr. Rosengrant asked faculty to spread the word for any interested applicants. Maureen Sheridan's and Pam Williams' last day will be February 28<sup>th</sup>. A farewell for Pam will be February 8<sup>th</sup> and for Maureen, February 24<sup>th</sup>

Plans are underway to have 393, 393A, B, F, G, H offices painted. This task is long overdue and will begin February 20<sup>th</sup> with 393A (conference room). Books in the bookshelves were discussed. A plan to have two bookcases replace the existing ones house all the Graduate Thesis, books authored by faculty, reference works, and also general works on Pedagogy was agreed upon. When the outer office is being painted over spring break the office will be completely closed for three days. Karen will keep office hours across the hall in the lab.

Office space within the Foreign Language Department was discussed. A chart that indicates all of the faculty having to share office space has been given to Duncan Carter with a urgent request for more space. Upon Maureen Sheridan's retirement, her office will be converted into a faculty office. Three office staff, and one work-study student will be housed in the outer office at that time. Dr. Rosengrant realizes the need for additional offices and is working with the Dean's office to resolve FLL's space issues.

Dr. Rosengrant bought issues of some Dark Horse Comics provided by our PSU Library. The publisher is a PSU Alumnus and has donated numerous copies of different comics in multiple languages. The books will be cataloged by language at the library. Any language class faculty is welcome to put copies on reserve for classes to use if appropriate.

The first candidate for the Spanish Asst. Professor position, Fernando Sanchez, visited January 22<sup>nd</sup>. Second candidate, Oswaldo Zavala will be here February 7<sup>th</sup>; third candidate, Rosana Blanco-Cano on February 12<sup>th</sup>. Dr. Ostlund reminded faculty to be sure and attend the job talks for these candidates. Dr. Rosengrant will cancel the Advisory Council Meeting next week so all are able to attend these talks.

Robert Sander announced that he, Kathie Godfrey, and Martha Hickey are involved with hosting the Culture and Languages Across the Curriculum Conference in 2007.

The shift of funding from the Department of Education to the Department of Defense concerning the Chinese Immersion Program was discussed. Also some discussion on how these new funds can be accessed.

PAMLA Conference to be held here in Portland in 2007.

Cine Lit will be hosted here at Portland State with Robert Sanders, Oscar Fernandez, and Eva Nunez coordinating the event.

#### CALENDAR:

W 2/15 Mid-Career Workshop

W 3/1 Department meeting 3:15

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