

Foreign Languages and Literature Department Meeting
Neuberger Hall 393A
May 04, 2005

Attending: Pat Wetzel, Tim Menke, Dirgham Sbait, Pelin Basci, Dave Thompson, Inger Olsen, Bill Fisher, Oscar Fernandez, Jennifer Perlmutter, Michael Weingrad, Cecile Accilien, Rob Sanders, Josphat Waruhiu, Kathie Godfrey, Eva Nunez, Angela Zagarella, Gina Greco, Nila Friedberg, Steve Walton, Martha Hickey, Cynthia Sloan, Stephen Wadley, Lidija Stjepanovic

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER 3:15PM

ANNOUNCEMENT:

Introduced Lidija – new office specialist.

Dr. Rosengrant encouraged faculty to recommend students for the Student Recognition Award. Deadline is May 6, 2005.

Group Advising: Group advising is canceled due to low attendances.

Curriculum proposals: Dr. Rosengrant thanked participants, and encouraged everyone to participate in the next one (this fall).

Recognition of Bill Fisher for Technology Award.

Final contract has been sent to new Persian faculty.

Budget: There is an anticipated shortfall for the next year. Dr. Rosengrant discussed possible options and consequences for the department.

The department will purchase document camera and digital camera. Group discussed issues concerning new technology (training and support). University is working on adding more faculty to the rotating profiles on PSU webpage.

Classroom Upgrades: Discussion on the upgrades need for language classrooms. Dr. Rosengrant talked to Mark Cramer about this project. The group discussed upgrading room 386 to high-tech. Dr. Sanders has a proposal for upgrading room 396. He will coordinate this proposal with Dr. Rosengrant. Dr. Greco reported on low quality of DVD and projector in room 387.

Interpretation Facility: The meeting is being arranged.

May Elections: Steve Wadley will be sending out nomination forms.

Summer Advising: Anybody teaching this summer needs to give office hours to Lidija. She will type them up.

Retreat: Discussion on where to hold the event. As of right now, the retreat will take place in University Place (conference room). Tentative date and time is September 23, 2005 from 9am and 4pm. Cynthia Sloan requested that faculty submit prioritized list of concerns to executive committee by May 25, 2005. Martha assured us that all attendees would receive a NICE lunch.

Phi Sigma Iota: Initiation is Friday, June 13, 2005 from 3:30pm to 5pm. Suwako Watanabe will deliver address. French and Spanish scholarships will be awarded.

CALENDAR:

5/11 No Advisory Council next week – will be doing Annual Review instead.

5/25 Ma-Ji Rhee will demonstrate on-line Korean course.

6/1 Last department meeting.

6/3 Outstanding Faculty Award. – Vanport Room 3:00-5:00.

6/8 Last Advisory Meeting– 3:15 – 4:45.

6/10 Farewell pizza party for FLTAs.

6/11 Commencement – Dr. Rosengrant encouraged faculty to attend. Everyone needs to go online and register for the commencement.

Announcement: Zafreen Jeffrey volunteered to teach Urdu next fall. She is accepted to our doctorate education program.

Dr. Hickey led discussion on faculty annual review process and proposed salary increases.

MEETING ADJOURNED 4:20