

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE LIBERAL ARTS FACULTY SENATE

September 18, 2012

3:30 p.m. in STEW 320

Dean Irwin Weiser, presiding

Present: Dwight Atkinson; Tithi Bhattacharya; Kristina Bross; Robert Channon; Kory Cooper; Susan Curtis; Anne Fliotsos; Elaine Francis; Atsushi Fukada; Rich Hogan; Yonsoo Kim; Marifran Mattson; Gordon McCall; Song No; Riall Nolan; David Parrish; Nancy Peterson; Mark Tilton; Jeffrey Turco; Ralph Webb; Christine Wuenschel

Absent: Mark Bernstein; Andrew Buckser; Ariel de la Fuente; John Duvall; Scott Feld; Elizabeth Hoffmann; Al Lopez; Shannon McMullen; Colleen Neary-Sundquist; Felicia Roberts; Charles Ross; Michael Smith; Howard Sypher; Christopher Yeomans

Dean Weiser introduced Anne Fliotsos, the vice chair of the Senate.

1. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES FOR THE MEETING ON APRIL 24, 2012:

The minutes were approved as distributed.

2. REPORTS OF THE STANDING COMMITTEES:

A) Professor Pat Boling, member of the Educational Policy Committee, reported that 11 courses in the Other Cultures category were retained as part of the committee's review of the Core Curriculum. In addition, three new courses were added to the Core. (See report #12-01.) She also reported that approximately 35 courses still needed to be reviewed, and the committee is awaiting further information. The Senate accepted the committee's recommendations and approved the report.

B) Professor Tithi Bhattacharya, chair of the Nominating & Elections Committee, presented a slate of nominations to fill two positions on the Curriculum Committee. There were no nominations from the floor, and the slate was approved. Kristine Holtvedt (VPA) will serve a three-year term, and Tara Johnson (ENGL) will serve a one-year term on the committee.

3. OLD BUSINESS:

There was no old business.

4. NEW BUSINESS:

There was no new business.

5. DEAN'S REPORT:

Dean Weiser reported on activities of the Sexual Harassment Advisors Network (SHAN) during the 2011 calendar year. He noted that SHAN, while a unique part of CLA, serves an important role for the entire campus. SHAN reported six contacts, five from students and one from a faculty member. (See report # 12-02.)

The College welcomed ten new faculty members this fall, three in the Brian Lamb School of Communication, three in the Patti and Rusty Rueff School of Visual and Performing Arts, three in the School of Languages and Cultures, and a new director of Women's Studies, who holds a tenured appointment in the Department of History. The College also has ten newly promoted faculty, including three Senators. Their names and work are posted on the CLA website.

Faculty searches authorized for next year include two in History, two in Sociology, one in African American Studies and Political Science, and one in Philosophy. In addition, department head searches are just getting underway in Languages and Cultures (national search) and Communication (internal search).

Dean Weiser said plans are moving forward to implement the University Core Curriculum, and departments are deciding now which courses to nominate for the foundational outcomes. The dean noted that three of the six foundational outcomes identified are likely to be met through CLA courses: written communication, oral communication, and human cultures.

Dr. Weiser reported on a push towards an increase in summer offerings, both on-campus and on-line, which should result in more opportunities for faculty to teach. A new funding model is also being discussed.

The University Senate will consider a proposal to convert the summer schedule to two six-week sessions. This is an effort to allow students to take enough credits to become eligible for financial aid and to work toward graduation in four years. Existing four-week programs (Maymester, study abroad, for example) would continue.

Dean Weiser thanked those who participated in the September 11 leadership team meeting and open forum with President-Elect Mitch Daniels, Dr. Sands and Dr. Buckius. The dean announced that Brian Lamb will interview Mr. Daniels on September 27 at 4:30 pm in Loeb Playhouse and encouraged faculty to attend. The event is open to the public and is sponsored by Project Impact, the Brian Lamb School of Communication, the College of Liberal Arts, and Purdue Alumni Association.

Dean Weiser answered questions regarding summer courses and Mr. Daniels' visit.

6. MEMORIAL RESOLUTIONS:

Dr. Nancy Peterson read memorial resolutions for Prof. Leslie Field and Prof. Allen Hayman.

Dr. Don Parman read a memorial resolution for Prof. Donald Berthrong.

Dr. Susan Curtis read a memorial resolution for Prof. Gordon Mork.

Dr. Nicholas Rauh read a memorial resolution for Prof. Gordon Young.

Dr. Rachel Einwohner read a memorial resolution for Prof. O. Michael Watson.

7. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 4:40 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Barbara Welch

Administrative Assistant to the Dean

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE LIBERAL ARTS FACULTY SENATE

October 16, 2012

3:30 p.m. in STEW 320

Dr. Anne Fliotsos, Vice Chair, presiding

Present: Robert Channon; Kory Cooper; Susan Curtis; Scott Feld; Anne Fliotsos; Elaine Francis; Atsushi Fukada; Yonsoo Kim; Marifran Mattson; Song No; Riall Nolan; David Parrish; Nancy Peterson; Mark Tilton; Ralph Webb; Michael Weinstein; Christine Wuenschel; Christopher Yeomans

Absent: Mark Bernstein; Tithi Bhattacharya; Patricia Boling; Kristina Bross; Andrew Buckser; Elizabeth Hoffmann; Rich Hogan; Al Lopez; Shannon McMullen; Colleen Neary-Sundquist; Felicia Roberts; Charles Ross; Michael Smith; Howard Sypher; Jeffrey Turco

1. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES FOR THE MEETING ON SEPTEMBER 18, 2012:

The minutes were approved as distributed.

2. REPORTS OF THE STANDING COMMITTEES:

A) Professor Torsten Reimer, member of the Curriculum Committee, said the committee approved one new course, one course revision, two course deletions, two program changes, and a change in a major. The committee also approved moving Italian Studies from IDIS to the School of Languages and Cultures. See report # 12-03. There was a question about the revision for HIST 19500. It was sent back to committee for clarification. The Senate approved the rest of the report.

3. OLD BUSINESS:

There was no old business.

4. NEW BUSINESS:

Professor Steve Wilson gave a report on the recent University Faculty Senate meeting. The discussion centered on the proposed changes in the summer session and the proposed trimester system. The faculty asked many questions about the details of the proposed changes. The meeting lasted 2 ½ hours and was videotaped. It will be available online.

5. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 3:50 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Barbara Welch
Administrative Assistant to the Dean

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE FACULTY
OF THE COLLEGE OF LIBERAL ARTS

November 13, 2012, 3:30 p.m.

Stewart Center, Room 310

Dean Irwin Weiser, Presiding

Dr. Dino Felluga, associate professor of English and fellow in the Center for Undergraduate Instructional Excellence, presented some of his work on digital tools for research and publishing in the humanities. His talk was titled, "*BRANCHing Out: Reflections on the Future of Scholarly Publishing.*" BRANCH – *Britain, Representation, and Nineteenth Century History* – is a digital search tool developed by Dr. Felluga and his colleagues that compliments other electronic tools such as NINES (*Networked Infrastructure for Nineteenth-Century Electronic Scholarship*) and RaVoN (*Romanticism and Victorianism on the Net*), an international refereed electronic journal devoted to British Nineteenth-Century Literature. A question and answer period followed.

1. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF MARCH 20, 2012.

The minutes were approved as distributed.

2. REPORTS OF THE STANDING COMMITTEES:

- A. Professor Anne Fliotsos (VPA), vice chair of the Senate, noted events in the life of the College since the March meeting. Last May, for the first time, Purdue held a separate commencement for graduate students. Ten CLA faculty were promoted last spring, and ten new faculty were welcomed this fall. New administrative appointments include Rosalee Clawson as head of Political Science, TJ Boisseau as director of Women's Studies, and Andrew Buckser as associate dean for research and graduate education. Six faculty searches have been authorized for next year (2 in History, 2 in Sociology, 1 joint appointment in African American Studies & Political Science, and 1 in Philosophy), in addition to searches for heads in the School of Languages and Cultures and the Brian Lamb School of Communication. Admissions figures show that CLA's international undergraduate population increased this fall, even though overall College enrollment was down. SAT, class rank, and GPA scores for CLA incoming freshmen have increased. The Sexual Harassment Advisors Network reported five contacts from students and one from a faculty member. Dr. Fliotsos also mentioned the proposed changes in the University's summer schedule, the move toward a trimester system, the University Core Curriculum, and Gov. Daniels' open forum as recent topics of discussion. She noted that eight memorial resolutions had been read since the March 2012 meeting.
- B. Professor Joel Ebarb (VPA), chair of the Agenda Committee, said the committee has two items to add to the agenda for the December 11 CLA Senate meeting. They are 1) to discuss the increase in the College of Engineering by 107 faculty members and 700 undergraduate students and the implication for CLA, and 2) to discuss the contradiction between Purdue's non-discrimination policy and Purdue's annual campaign for the United Way.
- C. Professor Jack Spencer (SOC), member of the Curriculum Committee, reported that the committee has approved seven new courses, twelve course revisions, one new program, three program revisions, 17 course deletions, and 30 course retentions since the March 2012 faculty meeting. He noted that all curriculum proposals are now submitted electronically. Also, the Registrar's Office requires learning outcomes for all new or revised courses.
- D. Professor Robert Channon (SLC), chair of the Educational Policy Committee, reported that the committee reviewed courses of the CLA Core in the "Other Cultures" and "Mathematics and Natural Sciences" categories. He said three new proposals for additions to the Core and one for deletion were approved. Dr. Channon briefly discussed the new transferable core in the State of Indiana. He noted that the committee's work is now handled electronically.
- E. Professor Dorothy Deering (ENGL), chair of the Faculty Affairs Committee, said committee met with the dean last spring to discuss the results of the faculty survey and evaluation of his work. The committee is working on a survey for this year. They are also making some revisions to the CLA By-laws partly due to the change in the number of departments/schools in the College.
- F. There was no report of the Nominating and Elections committee.

3. OLD BUSINESS:

There was no old business.

4. NEW BUSINESS:

- A. Associate Dean Song No presented a list of 251 students who are candidates for the Bachelor of Arts or Bachelor of Science degree in December 2012. He recommended approval, and the Senate endorsed the list by voice vote.

5. REPORT OF THE DEAN:

- A. The dean thanked the vice chair, the committee chairs and committee members for their work.
- B. The search for a new head of the Brian Lamb School of Communication has now become an open search, as are the searches for head of the School of Languages and Cultures and director of American Studies program. Dean Weiser recently announced an internal search for director of the CLA Honors Program, with the nomination deadline of November 16. Applications will be due November 26.
- C. Fall 2012 enrollment figures show that the College of Engineering remains the largest of the ten academic colleges, followed by the Colleges of Health and Human Sciences, Science, and Liberal Arts. The decrease in CLA enrollment is due in part to the deliberate decision not to admit students who chose "Liberal Arts undecided" as their second option. The College continues to admit students who designate "Liberal Arts undecided" as their first choice. The Undergraduate Studies Program has seen an increase, likely as a result of CLA's admission decision. Purdue has the second largest international student enrollment of public universities and the fourth largest of all U.S. universities.
- D. The College was visited by the President's Office on November 1. Acting President Sands was accompanied by Dr. Lechtenberg, acting provost, and Dr. Buckius, vice president for research. They met with the Council of Department Heads, heard from seven faculty and six students during research presentations, and held an open forum. As a result of comments made during the open forum, the dean will continue the conversation about CLA's reliance on funding graduate students through teaching assistantships and the implications for our graduate programs of budget reductions.
- E. January 8, 2013, is the Indiana gubernatorial inauguration, and Gov. Daniels has indicated that he would be at work at Purdue very soon after that. Mr. Daniels has been meeting weekly with different groups on campus. Acting President Sands and other central administrators have begun the budget process for the next biennium. This process is not typically concluded until late April or May.
- F. No formal change to the summer calendar has been announced yet. Departments may choose to offer traditional or alternative options for summer courses.
- G. Dean Weiser offered a few comments on the discussion of Purdue's participation in the United Way campaign. He reported that several senior administrators are aware of the issues, including the acting president, the acting provost, the director of Purdue's United Way campaign, vice provost Taylor (diversity and inclusion), and vice presidents Diaz (business & finance and treasurer), and Rollock (ethics and compliance).

6. ADJOURNMENT:

The meeting adjourned at 4:45 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Barbara Welch
Administrative Assistant to the Dean

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE LIBERAL ARTS FACULTY SENATE

December 11, 2012

3:30 p.m. in STEW 320

Dean Irwin Weiser presiding

- Present: Patricia Boling; Kristina Bross; Rebecca Bryant; Andrew Buckser; Robert Channon; Kory Cooper; Susan Curtis; Ariel de la Fuente; John Duvall; Elaine Francis; Atsushi Fukada; Rich Hogan; Yonsoo Kim; Gordon McCall; Song No; David Parrish; Nancy Peterson; Charles Ross; Mark Tilton; Ralph Webb; Christine Wuenschel; Christopher Yeomans
- Absent: Dwight Atkinson; Mark Bernstein; Tithi Bhattacharya; Scott Feld; Elizabeth Hoffmann; Al Lopez; Marifran Mattson; Colleen Neary-Sundquist; Riall Nolan; Felicia Roberts; Michael Smith; Howard Sypher; Jeffrey Turco; Michael Weinstein
- Excused: Anne Fliotsos; Shannon McMullen

1. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES FOR THE MEETING ON OCTOBER 16, 2012:

The minutes were approved as distributed.

2. REPORTS OF THE STANDING COMMITTEES:

- A) Professor Joel Ebarb, chair of the Agenda Committee, reported that, for the first time in many years, items were submitted to the Agenda Committee for addition to the Senate agenda. Both items were approved for inclusion on today's agenda, and they are listed under new business.
- B) Professor Ariel de la Fuente, chair of the Curriculum Committee, said the committee approved three new courses, 15 course revisions, four program changes, and four new programs, during their last two meetings. (See reports # 12-04 and 12-07.) The Senate approved the report.
- C) Professor Dorothy Deering, chair of the Faculty Affairs Committee, explained the proposed amendments and changes to the CLA Bylaws under Article III, which reduce the size of the Faculty Affairs and Educational Policy committees, due to the move of three departments to the College of Health & Human Sciences. (See report #12-05.) A short discussion followed. These proposed changes will be presented for a vote at the January CLA Senate meeting.
- D) Professor Robert Channon, chair of the Educational Policy Committee, said the committee approved the addition of two courses to the CLA Core and one course deletion from the Core. The committee is reviewing a proposal from Dennis Bowling, assistant dean for Student Services. They also met with Vice Provost Dale Whittaker regarding the new Statewide Transferable Core. (See report #12-06.) The Senate approved the report. In answer to a question, Dean Weiser said that courses submitted by units for inclusion in the new University Core curriculum are considered and approved by the University Core Curriculum Committee.

3. OLD BUSINESS:

There was no old business.

4. NEW BUSINESS:

- A) Dean Weiser started the discussion by saying that the College of Engineering's strategic growth plan can be found on the Engineering website. The plan states that Engineering's faculty size will increase by 30%, their staff will increase by 28%, and undergraduate enrollment will

- increase by 700 over a five-year period. Discussion followed and centered around being proactive and creative in meeting the needs of Engineering, utilizing cluster hires and co-teaching, and possibly grouping 3-5 courses that would be targeted to students in other colleges.
- B) Professor Pat Boling gave an update about Purdue's participation in the United Way campaign. She said there is an online petition through change.org which asks the Purdue administration to urge United Way Greater Lafayette to adopt a non-discrimination policy. Various administrators have been contacted, and Vice Provost Dale Whittaker, chair of next year's Purdue United Way campaign, has contacted the Executive Officer of Greater Lafayette United Way, who is receptive to a meeting. She asked for continued patience, since progress is being made in that direction. She expects to give an update at the January CLA Senate meeting. Discussion followed.

5. MEMORIAL RESOLUTION

Professor Keith Dickson (SLC) read a memorial resolution for Professor Dmitri Breschinsky.

6. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 4:40 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Barbara Welch
Administrative Assistant to the Dean

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE LIBERAL ARTS FACULTY SENATE

January 15, 2013

3:30 p.m. in STEW 320

Dean Irwin Weiser presiding

- Present: Patricia Boling; Robert Channon; Kory Cooper; Scott Feld; Anne Fliotsos; Elaine Francis; Atsushi Fukada; April Ginther; Rich Hogan; Yonsoo Kim; Marifran Mattson; Gordon McCall; Shannon McMullen; Song No; David Parrish; Nancy Peterson; Charles Ross; Mark Tilton; Ralph Webb; Michael Weinstein
- Absent: Dwight Atkinson; Mark Bernstein; Kristina Bross; Andrew Buckser; Susan Curtis; Ariel de la Fuente; John Duvall; Elizabeth Hoffmann; Al Lopez; Colleen Neary-Sundquist; Riall Nolan; Felicia Roberts; Michael Smith; Jeffrey Turco; Christopher Yeomans
- Excused: Tithi Bhattacharya; Rebecca Bryant; Matthias Steup

1. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES FOR THE MEETING ON DECEMBER 11, 2012:

The minutes were approved as distributed.

2. REPORTS OF THE STANDING COMMITTEES:

- A) Professor Elena Coda, member of the Curriculum Committee, said the committee approved one course deletion since the last Senate meeting. (See report # 12-08.) The Senate approved the report.
- B) Professor Dorothy Deering, chair of the Faculty Affairs Committee, explained minor changes in wording to the proposed amendments to the CLA Bylaws under Article III. The amendments reduce through attrition the size of the Faculty Affairs and Educational Policy (EPC) committees, due to the move of three departments to the College of Health & Human Sciences. The EPC will also have two students on the committee. (See report # 12-05b.) A short discussion followed. The Senate, by voice vote, voted unanimously to accept the amendments to the CLA By-laws.
- C) Professor David Parrish, member of the Nominating & Elections Committee, reported on the reapportionment of department seats on the CLA Senate for 2013-14. (See report # 12-09.) Questions were answered before the Senate accepted the report. There were two abstentions to the vote. Dr. Parrish also reported that Professor Richard Rand will replace Professor Kristine Holtvedt on the Curriculum Committee for this semester. That report was also approved.

3. OLD BUSINESS:

Professor Pat Boling gave an update on recent efforts to encourage the Purdue administration and the Greater Lafayette United Way to have discussions regarding the conflict with Purdue's non-discrimination policy. She reviewed the results of a recent meeting between Dr. Dale Whittaker of Purdue and James Taylor, the CEO of United Way. Dr. Boling presented a resolution that read: "Resolved: The College of Liberal Arts Senate calls on the Purdue University administration to insist that the Greater Lafayette United Way develop a non-discrimination policy consistent with the University's own by June 2013." Discussion followed. A motion to table a discussion on the resolution until the next Senate meeting was approved.

4. NEW BUSINESS:

There was no new business.

5. DEAN'S REPORT

Updates on recruitment – Administrative searches continue for the headships in the Brian Lamb School of Communication and the School of Languages and Cultures, and directorship of American Studies. Preliminary interviews have been held for the next director of CLA Honors.

Updates on Faculty searches – Two positions have been filled in Sociology, and an offer is pending in a joint search involving Political Science and African American Studies. Candidates for a position in Philosophy have begun to visit, and candidates for two positions in History will be invited to campus in February.

College Review with the Provost – The dean met last week with the Provost and others for the annual college review meeting. He emphasized CLA's accomplishments and progress over the past year. He discussed the uncertainties for demand for CLA courses that the new university core curriculum, the Honors College, and the growth of Engineering carry with them and the possibility that we will need additional resources for teaching. Dr. Weiser also requested increased operating funds for the college to support recruiting, routine expenses, and support for current faculty.

Martin Luther King Day activities – in answer to a question, the Dean announced the University's plans to celebrate Dr. King's memory. Activities are planned through the end of January, and the Dean noted a January 24 lecture by Melissa Harris Perry of MSNBC and Tulane University.

6. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 4:22 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Barbara Welch
Administrative Assistant to the Dean

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE LIBERAL ARTS FACULTY SENATE

February 19, 2013

3:30 p.m. in STEW 320

Dean Irwin Weiser presiding

- Present: Patricia Boling; Rebecca Bryant; Robert Channon; Kory Cooper; Scott Feld; Anne Fliotsos; Elaine Francis; Atsushi Fukada; April Ginther; Rich Hogan; Yonsoo Kim; Al Lopez; Marifran Mattson; Shannon McMullen; David Parrish; Nancy Peterson; Charles Ross; Matthias Steup; Mark Tilton; Ralph Webb; Michael Weinstein
- Absent: Mark Bernstein; Tithi Bhattacharya; Kristina Bross; Andrew Buckser; Susan Curtis; Ariel de la Fuente; John Duvall; Elizabeth Hoffmann; Gordon McCall; Colleen Neary-Sundquist; Riall Nolan; Felicia Roberts; Michael Smith; Jeffrey Turco; Christopher Yeomans
- Excused: Song No

Guests were Mr. James Taylor, CEO of Greater Lafayette United Way, and Dr. Dale Whittaker, vice provost for undergraduate academic affairs and chair of the 2013 Purdue United Way campaign. Mr. Taylor explained his position as CEO of the local United Way and the United Way governance structure before answering questions.

1. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES FOR THE MEETING ON JANUARY 15, 2013:

The minutes were approved as distributed.

2. OLD BUSINESS:

Professor Pat Boling led further discussion on continuing efforts to encourage the Purdue administration and the Greater Lafayette United Way to have discussions regarding Purdue's non-discrimination policy. Senators reported that some departments had discussions in their departmental faculty meetings about the United Way resolution. Discussion continued. Dr. Boling presented the final proposed amendment, which read: "Resolved: The College of Liberal Arts Senate urges the Purdue University administration to call on the Greater Lafayette United Way to develop a non-discrimination policy consistent with the University's own by June 2013." The amendment was approved. A ballot vote was taken on the resolution, and it was passed unanimously. Dean Weiser will forward the resolution to the President, the Provost, Vice Provost for Diversity & Inclusion, and report of the CLA Senate's actions to the deans of other colleges.

3. REPORTS OF THE STANDING COMMITTEES:

- A) Professor Mark Tilton, member of the Agenda Committee, reported that one item was submitted to the committee for inclusion in the agenda. It will be discussed at today's meeting under new business.
- B) Professor Tara Johnson, member of the Curriculum Committee, said the committee approved one new course, three course revisions, and one program change since the last Senate meeting. (See report # 12-10.) The Senate accepted the report.
- C) Professor Dorothy Deering, chair of the Faculty Affairs Committee, explained the committee's rationale for the proposed revision of the CLA Bylaws under Article III, section 3.8. (See report #

12-11.) The Senate will vote to accept the amendment at the next CLA Senate meeting on April 16, 2013.

- D) Professor David Parrish, member of the Nominating & Elections Committee, explained a revision in the reapportionment of department seats on the CLA Senate for 2013-14. (See report # 12-09b.) The revision was approved by the Senate.

4. NEW BUSINESS:

Professor Charles Ross began the conversation about preparing for a possible trimester system at Purdue: discussion of the need and viability of increased support for summer school programs. Dean Weiser reported on a new incentive program for summer courses based on the courses offered and the number of students taking those courses. He said CLA has 41 additional summer courses, paid for by either the Provost or Extended Campus. Discussion followed.

5. DEAN'S REPORT

There was no dean's report.

6. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 4:50 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Barbara Welch

Administrative Assistant to the Dean

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE FACULTY
OF THE COLLEGE OF LIBERAL ARTS

March 19, 2013, 3:30 p.m.

Stewart Center, Room 310

Dean Irwin Weiser, Presiding

Dean Weiser presented the College Educational Excellence in Teaching Award to Professor Leigh Raymond (POL) and Departmental Excellence in Teaching Awards to Professor John Larson (HIST) and Professor Manushag Powell (ENGL).

The Center for Undergraduate Instructional Excellence Fellow presentation was given by Dr. Robert Lamb (ENGL). His project, titled "Teaching Race and American Literature: A Guide for College and High School Instructors," is a website that arose from concerns about the gulf between literary scholarship and teaching in research one institutions and the vast amount of teaching done by overworked professors with large class sizes and high school teachers who teach all day and grade papers all night and on weekends. He gave examples from *The Adventures of Huckleberry Finn* and a handout to demonstrate how teachers and instructors could use the website. A question and answer period followed.

1. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF NOVEMBER 13, 2012.

The minutes were approved as distributed.

2. REPORTS OF THE STANDING COMMITTEES:

- A. Professor Anne Fliotsos (VPA), vice chair of the Senate, noted that the last three meetings have included information about the College of Engineering strategic growth plan, discussions which led to a resolution asking the Purdue administration to urge the Greater Lafayette United Way to update their non-discrimination policy, reports on the dean's meetings with the Provost, and discussions of trimester system. Dr. Fliotsos further summarized the dean's reports and noted that a memorial resolution was read for Dr. Dmitri Breschinsky.
- B. Professor Joel Ebarb, chair of the Agenda Committee, report that one item was submitted in January to initiate discussion about the new trimester system, which was discussed in February.
- C. There was no report from the Curriculum Committee
- D. There was no report from the Educational Policy Committee.
- E. Professor Dorothy Deering (ENGL), chair of the Faculty Affairs Committee, reported that the committee dealt with changes to the CLA Bylaws necessitated by the reduction in the number of departments in the College and a committee that no longer exists.
- F. Professor Charles Ross (ENGL), member of the Nominating and Elections committee, said the committee worked on CLA Senate reapportionments. The committee is in the process of filling vacancies for next year on Senate committees.

3. OLD BUSINESS:

There was no old business.

4. NEW BUSINESS:

- A. Dr. Song No presented a list of 700 students who are candidates for the Bachelor of Arts degree in May 2013, and a list of 150 students who will be candidates for the Bachelor of Arts degree in August 2013. He recommended approval, and the Senate endorsed both lists by voice vote.

5. REPORT OF THE DEAN:

- A. Dr. Weiser thanked the vice chair, the chairs and members of the standing Senate committees, and all senators for their work this year.
- B. The dean spoke about the recently announced tuition freeze. He noted that it is clearly related to President Daniels' focus on affordability and explained the normal process of the University's interaction with the state legislature. Speculation is that funding for higher education will slightly increase, and Purdue will look for efficiencies and cost savings to offset the lack of a tuition increase. In conversations with the Provost about how CLA should prepare, the dean was told that, at present, it is anticipated that academic programs will not face new budget reductions. The Provost further anticipated merit increases, but the amount will not be announced until after the state allocations are set. Dean Weiser then spoke about the salary freeze that affects deans, vice provosts, vice presidents and above and administrative professional staff who earn over \$50,000.
- C. Dean Weiser announced a strategic marketing project in the College to help explain the value of a Liberal Arts education to external constituencies. Two members of the Dean's Advisory Council, Todd Putman and Kevin Mayer, are successful international marketing experts and have offered to provide their services to the College. Thus far they have developed an email survey, begun interpreting the results, and met with a focus group to discuss branding and the liberal arts. There will be more discussion at the next Dean's Advisory Council meeting. The dean anticipates more faculty and staff input into the project.
- D. Dean Weiser has secured funds that will enable the college to increase the number of faculty who are recognized as distinguished professors. Candidates must be supported by the primary and area committees and a committee of distinguished professors from within and outside the College. The process is outlined in University policies and takes several months to complete. The dean believes it is important for CLA's very best faculty to be recognized by the College and by the University.
- E. Scott Oliver has been selected as the student responder for the May 12 afternoon commencement. Scott majored in Communication with minors in Philosophy and Law & Society. A CLA Honors Student, he has been involved in undergraduate research, Project Impact, and a number of campus programs, such as Boiler Gold Rush and College Mentors for Kids. Scott plans to attend law school.
- F. Two CLA alumnae will be awarded honorary doctorate degrees at the May 12 commencement.
- G. Dean Weiser responded to questions and comments from faculty.

6. ADJOURNMENT:

The meeting adjourned at 4:45 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Barbara Welch
Administrative Assistant to the Dean

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE LIBERAL ARTS FACULTY SENATE

April 16, 2013

3:30 p.m. in STEW 320

Dean Irwin Weiser presiding

- Present: Tithi Bhattacharya; Patricia Boling; Rebecca Bryant; Andrew Buckser; Harry Bulow; Robert Channon; Kory Cooper; Angelica Duran; Scott Feld; Anne Fliotsos; Elaine Francis; Atsushi Fukada; April Ginther; Yonsoo Kim; Marifran Mattson; Gordon McCall; Song No; David Parrish; Nancy Peterson; Randy Roberts; Charles Ross; Mark Tilton; Ralph Webb; Michael Weinstein; Christopher Yeomans
- Absent: Mark Bernstein; Kristina Bross; Susan Curtis; Ariel de la Fuente; John Duvall; Elizabeth Hoffmann; Rich Hogan; Al Lopez; Shannon McMullen; Colleen Neary-Sundquist; Riall Nolan; Felicia Roberts; Michael Smith; Jeffrey Turco
- Excused: Matthias Steup

The Senate celebrated teaching and research by recognizing winners of the Kenneth T. Kofmehl Outstanding Undergraduate Teaching Awards and the CLA Discovery Excellence Awards. Dean Weiser gave a brief history of Dr. Kofmehl and his work before presenting awards to Rosalee Clawson (POL), Angelica Duran (ENGL), Dino Felluga (ENGL), Randy Roberts (HIST), and Ralph Webb (COM). This is the first year for the CLA Discovery Excellence Awards. Award criteria focus on the quality, impact, and breadth of discovery activity, as demonstrated by such evidence as research or creative output, national and international recognitions, grants and other research support, interdisciplinary collaborations, and impact on the larger world. The winners were: for the Humanities – Daniel Morris (ENGL); for the Creative Arts – Marianne Boruch (ENGL); and for the Social Sciences – Kenneth Ferraro (SOC).

1. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES FOR THE MEETING ON FEBRUARY 19, 2013:
The minutes were approved as distributed.
2. OLD BUSINESS:
There was no old business.
3. REPORTS OF THE STANDING COMMITTEES:
 - A) Dr. Joan Marshall, member of the Curriculum Committee, said the committee met twice since the last meeting and approved a total of 25 course revisions, 9 new courses, and 9 program changes. (See reports 12-12 and 12-13.) The committee also deleted 34 courses from the CLA curriculum as part of their annual review. The Senate accepted the report.
 - B) Professor Dorothy Deering, chair of the Faculty Affairs Committee, explained the committee's rationale for the proposed revision of the CLA Bylaws under Article III, section 3.8. (See report # 12-11.) The Senate unanimously voted to accept the amendment. Dr. Deering also said the survey evaluation of the dean is completed, and the committee will meet with the dean soon.
 - C) Professor Tithi Bhattacharya, chair of the Nominating & Elections Committee, presented a slate of faculty who volunteered to serve on various Senate committees. (See report # 12-14.) There were no nominations from the floor, and the Senate unanimously endorsed the slate. The candidates for vice chair of the Senate for 2013-14 were Elaine Francis (ENGL) and Christine Wuenschel (VPA).

Professor Wuenschel won via ballot vote. Dean Weiser thanked Professor Anne Fliotsos for her service as vice chair this year.

4. NEW BUSINESS:

There was no new business.

5. DEAN'S REPORT

- The CLA Distinguished Alumni Banquet was held on April 12. Outstanding seniors from each department were also honored. The banquet was the kickoff of a year-long celebration of 50 years for Liberal Arts at Purdue – HSSE, SLA, and CLA. Chris Sharp, director of alumni relations, is coordinator of the celebration.
- Searches continue for the Brian Lamb School of Communication head and American Studies director. A new head was hired in the School of Languages and Cultures, and new faculty were hired in History, Sociology, Political Science, Philosophy. Seven of the new faculty hired thus far are women and two are African American, continuing CLA's efforts to increase diversity in the College. The dean's office will soon begin interviews for the next associate dean for research and graduate education.
- Undergraduate admissions are now at 355 (as of 4/15), slightly less than last year at this time. The class is predominantly resident, predominantly women, and slightly more international compared to last year, but less diverse in terms of underrepresented minorities. This is true for the university as a whole. The incoming class shows stronger SAT scores.
- Dean Weiser briefly discussed the budget, merit raises, and the salary freeze.

6. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 3:55 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

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