Division of Behavioral and Social Sciences
History Department Meeting
March 2, 2009

MINUTES

Absent:  J. Suarez
Meeting began at:  12:00 p.m.

Enrollment and Future Scheduling
All department courses were doing quite well and enrollment exceeded over 100% on the average by the end of the second week of the semester.

The department discussed rotation patterns for future semesters with consideration given to increasing American Studies 7 (Popular Culture) by one section. Also recommended was adding History 12A (African History to 1885) back into the rotation in fall 2009.

Student Learning Outcomes (SLO)
C. Gold distributed a timeline for courses to be assessed with an aim of having 10 sections completed this semester.

Curriculum
The department agreed to inactivate American Studies 1 (Introduction to American Studies). Two new courses, Asian American History and a History of the Middle East are ready for DCC review this semester. The department will continue to renumber all history courses but will check with Janet Young on ways to expedite this process. M. Eula inquired if History 11 (History of Russia and the Soviet Union) might be reactivated. He will survey student interest in order to determine if there is sufficient numbers to consider reactivation.

Plan/Program Review
The department’s program review recommendations were added to the 2008-2009 division plans. E. Rader pointed out the importance of linking planning to budgeting requests.

Course Audit List
G. Miranda circulated an existing history courses approved for audit. The department agreed that all department courses should be available for audit. The listing will be updated since there are a number of new courses as well as inactivated ones on the old list.

Department Activities
Phil Fixico is scheduled to speak on March 10th on Black Seminoles in the East Dining Room from 1-1:50 p.m. He has spoken before at El Camino College and will focus on his family genealogy.

Brown bag series:  M. Eula has agreed to speak after spring break on the topic of Hassidic resistance during the Shoah.

F. Baker has begun to organize a “Careers in History” workshop for this semester.
E. Rader reported that the Pow Wow will be held on April 4 and 5, 2009 and his hoping to see more campus representation at the event.

M. Brown reported that in April the library will have a display on popular culture heroes and in May her Women’s Studies students will prepare a plate display and History 18B students will dress in costumes representing famous women.

A. Verge stated that Rick Velazquez from Don Knabe’s office will be giving a presentation to his students on county services.

C. Gold noted that the History Club is active and M. Eula has agreed to serve as faculty advisor for the Veterans Club.

**Equipment and Supply Needs**
A bulb is needed for the LCD projector in SOCS 207.

M. Brown reported that the faculty chair in SOCS 212 has no wheels. E. Rader also noted that overhead projectors are in need of repair and although requested, they have not been repaired. G. Miranda reported that her office was told that due to retirements there is a staffing shortage which has delayed taking care of many requisitions for repair of instructional equipment.

M. Brown also reported that the TV monitor in SOCS 212 is in need of replacement.

**SOCS Remodel**
G. Miranda updated the department on the status of the remodel and pointed out that there has been a revised design approved by the state architect’s office.

**Next Meeting**
E. Rader requested a second meeting for the semester which will be scheduled after getting a consensus from the department.

**Meeting adjourned at:** 1:00 p.m.

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