

PHILOSOPHY DEPARTMENT MEETING

September 28, 2009

MINUTES

Present: R. Firestone, E. Shadish, J. Thureson

Meeting began at: 8:15 a.m.

Enrollment

The department's enrollment exceeded 100% by the end of the second week of the semester. Full-time faculty submitted their No-Show reports and only 3 part-timers were unable to complete them in time.

G. Miranda discussed potential cancellations for spring 2010 but indicated that Philosophy would most likely have few if any cuts.

Curriculum

Two new course proposals—Asian Philosophy and Existentialism—will be reviewed by the College Curriculum Committee this semester. The dean also reminded the department to continue developing the Political Philosophy proposal which would be cross-listed with Political Science. This course is required for majors wishing to transfer to the UC system.

SLOs

All course SLOs have been written and the faculty are continuing their assessments. G. Miranda asked the faculty to check with Phan to make certain their SLOs are in the division files and have also been submitted to B. Jaffe.

R. Firestone will represent the department on the division Assessment and Learning Committee. A reminder notice on the semester meeting dates will be sent out.

Program Review

The program review cycle for the department will be moved up to 2013-2014.

Planning Process

G. Miranda reported that she will soon begin next year's planning process and will distribute at the Division Council meeting copies of the 2008-09 plans for the department to review.

Department Activities

R. Firestone reported that the Philosophy Club met for the first time last week with 29 students in attendance. Officers were elected and the group would like to meet weekly with interest in philosophy theme presentations. G. Miranda suggested speaking with A. Mannen and R. Otero who co-host Anthro Chats which have proven very popular with students.

E. Shadish will soon be holding a planning meeting for Women's History Month. J. Thureson and R. Firestone made preliminary recommendations for potential lecture topic presentations.

SOCS Remodel

Winter session courses will be offered elsewhere on campus and faculty were reminded if they needed boxes to come to the division office. J. Thureson asked how many filing cabinets they were going to be allowed to have in the CTO offices. The division staff will follow-up with information.

Meeting adjourned at: 9:05 a.m.

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