

HUMANITIES DIVISION COUNCIL MINUTES

Tuesday, November 2, 2010, 1:00 p.m., H-214

Tom Lew	Barbara Jaffe	Alicia Class	Susan Bachmann
Lori Medigovich	Mary Ann Leiby	Elise Geraghty	Victoria McCallum
Nitza Llado	Sean Donnell	Sharon Van Euoo	Darell Thompson
Cynthia Silverman	Elena Savina		

T. Lew announced that Title V is going into effect in English, Math, and Counseling departments (published October 20, 2010). T. Lew pointed out that there will be infusion of dollars into composition and reading courses; Academic Strategies courses might benefit as well. In addition, funds were put aside for the Writing Center, which might allow for the possibility of two tutors in English A/B classes. Also, Title V, 2010 allows a hire of a project director.

T. Lew invited the council to review Enrollment and Full-Time/Part-Time Data for Humanities Departments to open the discussion of possible new FT faculty positions. There has been a decline in enrollment in all of the departments. With the current emphasis on degrees and transfer rates, a few courses in developmental areas have been cut. T. Lew informed the council that seven sections of English 1AX will be permanently moving into the English section; as a result, the ESL program will lose seven sections.

In the past decade, in the English department, 17 F/T faculty have retired, but only 13.5 positions have been filled. S. Donnell suggested a 50/50 (Academic Strategies/English position), for Academic Strategies department has only one F/T faculty member. In addition, this position will be addressing the improvement of the transfer rates. The council supported the idea of distributing a memo to the F/T faculty to see if there is any interest in taking Academic Strategies as a secondary assignment.

T. Lew asked for a volunteer to represent the division in the hiring process. E. Geraghty agreed to assist in filling out and submitting the form that justifies the proposed number for the new F/T faculty positions (Deadline – November 30).

BJ updated the council on the conditions of the Humanities building.

The meeting adjourned at 1:55 p.m.