

**Division of Behavioral and Social Sciences  
History Department Meeting  
September 21, 2010**

**MINUTES**

**Present:** F. Baker, M. Brown, M. Eula, J. Suarez, A. Verge

**Absent:** C. Gold (excused), E. Rader (on sabbatical)

**Meeting began at:** 1:05 p.m.

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**Enrollment Update/Wait Lists**

The department's enrollments by the third week of the semester exceeded the enrollment cap for all total sections. The additional U.S. history sections opened up during the first week of the semester filled quickly.

The waitlist number total was discussed with the faculty divided over lists of 5 or 10. C. Gold and E. Rader will be polled regarding their preference for a waitlist total. In the meantime, if a faculty member wants a waitlist of 5 rather than 10, he/she can ask Beverly to adjust the waitlist during the registration process.

F. Baker recommended offering the newly approved course, the History of the Middle East next fall semester. M. Eula stated that there is student interest in the inactivated History of Russia and the Soviet Union. To be offered in the future, the course will have to undergo course review to be reactivated.

**Curriculum Update**

History 177 (History of Japan) and History 183 and 184 (two semester African History) are undergoing course review this semester. Only minor changes have been suggested to the outlines by the College Curriculum Committee.

**Department Pool**

F. Baker stated that we need to advertise for an adjunct instructor if we are to offer the History of the Middle East next year. The recruitment should take place during the spring 2011 semester.

**SLOs/Assessments**

C. Gold will need to update the department on the assessment cycle for this year.

**Plan Builder 2011-12/Program Review**

J. Suarez will serve as the department's facilitator for the 2011-12 planning cycle. J. Suarez and A. Verge will oversee the History self-study. Jason has attended the program review orientation meeting.

### **Department Activities**

M. Eula and E. Shadish are organizing a forum scheduled for October 19<sup>th</sup> on the topic of “The Corporatization of Higher Education.”

M. Brown announced that October 26<sup>th</sup> will be a Comic Book Day exhibit in the Library.

J. Suarez will work with G. Miranda to plan an event to commemorate the Bicentennial of Mexican Independence.

M. Eula has received notice that his article will be published by *Italian Americana*. His original research is on middle class ethnic among Italian Americans in New Jersey.

M. Brown will be meeting with Kendall Hunt to discuss a much needed textbook for her American Studies 7 (History of American Popular Culture) course.

### **History Club**

F. Baker announced that there are 13-14 enthusiastic new student members of the History Club. No activities have yet been planned.

### **SOCS Remodel**

G. Miranda updated the faculty on the status of the Social Science building remodel and indicated that the building will reopen for classes in Fall 2011.

### **Equipment/Supplies/MBBM Issues**

M. Eula, E. Rader and A. Verge have declined acceptance of the faculty laptops. Those who have received the new laptops are pleased with the features on them.

There are either no clocks or they are inoperable in MBBM 101, 102, 105, 106, and 137.

F. Baker stated that Copy While You Wait service is not yet available through the Copy Center. She also indicated that the workload at the Copy Center appears to have slowed down and thought that perhaps the while you wait service should be restored.

**Meeting adjourned at:** 1:50 p.m.

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