

**Division of Behavioral and Social Sciences
Philosophy Department Meeting
October 21, 2014**

MINUTES

Present: R. Garcia, R. Firestone, F. Leon

Meeting began at: 1:00 p.m.

Enrollment Update/ Summer Scheduling

G. Miranda reported that the department's enrollment at first census had a fill rate of 99%, a very respectable showing this semester. Faculty reported that all was progressing even with a few softer enrollments in a handful of sections (PHIL 7 and 14). R. Garcia stated that his PHIL 5 still has 27 students (the NCS is 26).

Schedule development for summer 2015 has begun and adjuncts requesting assignments will soon be assigned tentatively pending results of evaluations conducted this semester. F. Leon has been approved to teach online and is scheduled to have two online sections.

Curriculum Review

The department faculty had a lengthy discussion on the Philosophy A.A.-T proposal and agreed to the grouping of core and elective courses for the major. G. Miranda reminded the faculty to also update the existing A.A. degree which will remain in place until the A.A.-T is approved by the Chancellor's office.

G. Miranda reminded the department of clarifying if the existing Logic course should remain as is, or if they want to adopt the proposed symbolic logic revision. A decision will need to be made as soon as possible.

SLO Assessments

R. Firestone reported that J. Thureson has already completed her SLO (#1) assessment for PHIL 23. He is also assessing PHIL 7 (#1) and PHIL 14 (#1) this semester.

Program Review

G. Miranda informed the department that their next Program Review is scheduled to begin in spring 2015. A discussion ensued with an explanation for F. Leon what is involved in the program review process. F. Leon expressed interest in working on the department's next program review.

Planning

The dean distributed a copy of the 2014-15 department plan and reminded the faculty to review, revise and update it as soon as possible. R. Firestone stated he would follow-up and complete the update for 2015-16.

Success and Retention Data

G. Miranda distributed spring 2015 success and retention data for departmental review. She also has two year success and retention data for R. Firestone and E. Shadish for their individual review. Once F. Leon completes his second year he will also receive similar data.

Adjunct Faculty Evaluations and Future Assignments

New adjuncts will undergo evaluation this semester. It is important to note that future assignments for spring and summer are tentative pending the outcome of these evaluations.

Department Activities

F. Leon has had a paper accepted for presentation at the American Philosophical Association's Pacific Division annual meeting in December which is scheduled to be held in Vancouver. R. Firestone published three articles during summer.

R. Firestone reported that the Philosophy Club is very active this semester with 25 attendees at their last club meeting. The first movie night is scheduled for the month of November.

Meeting adjourned at: 1:55 p.m.

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