

## FCLLAL MINUTES

November 11, 2005

Present: Laura Deulio, Jason Hart, Brian Bradie, Phil Hamilton, John Hardie, Terilyn Goins, Tanya Sweet, Linda Baughman, Ed Weiss, Kip Redick, Michael Lewis, Ronnie Cohen, Christi Harris, Joan McMahon, Bobbye Bartels (Asst. Dean of Liberal Learning), Peter Knipp (Faculty Senate), Jean Filetti (CLAS Administrative Fellow).

Item 1: Minutes from last meeting- approved.

Item 2: CNU Values Forum

Discussion of this item was postponed because Ken Rose could not make it to the meeting.

Item 3: Senate recommendation that 2<sup>nd</sup> Year Writing Seminar (223) as a pre or co-requisite for 300 and 400-level AOI's that have no current prerequisites.

This recommendation was accepted by FCLLAL. All departments need to submit changes to existing courses that identify this new requirement for those 300 and 400-level AOI's that currently have no pre or co-requisite.

Item 4: Report of Degree Studies Sub-Committee (Cohen, Bradie, Deulio).

The degree studies sub-committee recommended that the University-level degree studies requirements for the Bachelor of Arts degree be eliminated. This was approved by FCLLAL.

After considerable discussion, the requirements for the Bachelor of Sciences degree were referred back to the degree studies subcommittee for further review and rewriting.

Item 5: First-Year Seminar and Area of Inquiry Subcommittee reports:

FCLLAL approved accepted courses (see sheet passed out during the meeting) for the First-Year Seminar and AOI's in the following areas: Identity, Institutions and Society; Global and Multicultural Perspectives; Creative Expressions, and Western Traditions.

Item 6: Report of the Subcommittee on selecting the Common Reading

In a unanimous vote, FCLLAL selected John Krakauer's *Into the Wild* as the common reading for the 2006-2007 year.

Item 7: FCLLAL activities at spring graduation.

Peter Knipp reported a request made of the Faculty Senate from President Tribble that we consider expanding the activities associated with spring graduation. This issue comes to FCLLAL because of the "AL" part of our mandate. Although it's not entirely clear what these activities might include, several suggestions were forwarded ranging from awards ceremonies to some kind of invented tradition like gurney races through the library. FCLLAL decided to "ponder" this a bit and tabled it for further discussion.

Item 8: Notes from the Assistant Dean of Liberal Learning.

- The Senate has set up a sub-committee to evaluate FCLLAL's proposal of the shape and role of FCLLAL as a standing committee.
- The UCC has approved most of the FYS and AOI courses- what's remaining are those in the creative expressions AOI.
- Please do not discuss the details of the decisions of FYS and AOI subcommittees until the actual proposals have been returned to the respective departments.

Item 9: Communication within the Curriculum.

Linda Baughman asked FCLLAL to consider where it would be best to place an oral communication course in the curriculum. Among the possibilities- recreating the public speaking course, 223 courses, first-year seminars, CI courses spread out across the curriculum. FCLLAL members with further ideas along these lines should contact Linda, she does want to hear from us on this.

Item 10: Objectives for Math Literacy.

Brain Bradie introduced two objectives for math literacy courses (see sheet passed out in meeting for specific wording). After some discussion, FCLLAL asked Brain to play with the wording of these just a bit more.

Next meeting- Nothing in December ☺- we'll let you know when we get a January time.