

**COLLEGE OF ARTS & SCIENCES
COUNCIL MEETING
Wednesday, February 9, 2005
3:30 p.m. in Solms 106**

Present: Ed Wheeler, Mark Finlay, Todd Hizer, Ken Relyea, Jane Wong, Tom Cato, Yassi Saadatmand, Lorrie Hoffman, Mike Price, Erik Nordenhaug, Zaphon Wilson, Deanna Cross, Greg Anderson, Dick Nordquist, Teresa Winterhalter, Jill Miller, and Sabrina Hessinger.

Report from the Units:

1. Sabrina Hessinger – any faculty member involved in science or math can participate. The state is looking at us as an example. There are three ways faculty can participate: (1) _____ (2) _____ and (3) higher ed participant.
2. Jane Wong – department is currently conducting a search for a _____ Psychologist. Deadline for applications is Friday. Several students will be making presentations soon in LA, Nashville, and _____.
3. Zaphon Wilson – department is completing search for CJ position and finalizing sociology search. Bill Daugherty just finished colloquium on Iraq, Bush, and _____.
4. Dick Nordquist – some CJ courses being moved to MALPS program. One concern is there are no Women’s Studies courses for this summer. Money has been received from External Affairs for new leadership service grants.
5. Mark Finlay – one accomplishment: Phi Kappa Phi proposal has been shipped off. Talk about a leadership minority.
6. Greg Anderson – Eight Learning Communities scheduled for fall 2005. Number of undeclared majors keeps dropping (approximately 10 per week).
7. Todd Hizer – faculty searches going on in both chemistry and physics. No success yet in finding a department head candidate, although they have another candidate coming in next week.
8. Ken Relyea – tenure track search for biologist going on now; has been narrowed down to 25. Turtles have taken over the labs, and grade school kids are coming in to see them. Department now has a sea turtle biology course that is popular.

9. Teresa Winterhalter – Gender and Women’s Studies is poised to take off. Large classes are still growing. There is nothing in our institutional structure to take care of the growth. Needs an A & S commitment to make it happen.
10. Tom Cato – has three searches going on: Communications, theater, and digital arts. Mr. Su had a successful show; alumni show coming up; and musicians will be showcased in a concert this month. Theater students just went for competition. Department is recruiting theater students who have high SAT scores. Cato complimented musician Kevin Hampton.
11. Deanna Cross – Last year the President’s Executive Council asked her to do a survey (for what purpose?). A questionnaire was sent to Saturday faculty and some evening faculty. 545 surveys came back and offered the following:
 - 49% of students would take courses in the evening of mini-mester if offered
 - 69% would take a three credit course if offered on a Saturday
 - 54% would take a self-directed study course

(There were more %’s. I can get them from Dr. Cross if they’re important and you want them in the minutes)

Students are looking for fast-track courses. She said something here about looking for students with minimum score on compass exam. They may need to take courses elsewhere before coming here.
12. Jill Miller – just got back from taking Honors students to a Buddhist Temple for Chinese(?) New Year. She’s working with External Affairs to come up with ways to fund Honors events. Student lecture series forthcoming. June Hopkins will be taking MALPS and Women’s Studies students to Washington, DC for a tour of archives. Expanding community service and continuing Habitat service in Savannah every 4th month on a Saturday.