

Faculty Meeting
Nov. 8, 2013

In Attendance: Deni Elliott, Mark Walters, Casey Frechette, Donovan Myrie, Tony Silvia

DE: Donovan with us through the end of the academic year. Casey P is now officially academic program specialist on appointment through June. As of today, it looks like approvals for two tenure track positions will go through (but not 100% official yet). Dave Snyder coming on in January in visiting position also being approved.

This Wednesday at 4 p.m., Donovan, Mary Shedden, Janet Keeler, Casey P., Deni to meet up about learning objectives for MMC 2100 / JOU 2100. Goal is to emerge with a common set of learning goals for two classes. All welcome.

DE: Gen Ed. course development continues. Our proposals are not state-mandated. They're institution-specific and our course candidates, under the communications umbrella, include 3602: Mass Media/Society, MMC2100 and VIC3001.

New course forms will need to be submitted for these to be considered.

DM: Still counts for our students?

DE: Yes, as pre-core. Counts for our students, open to other students, too. I suggest two-person course development committees. VIC3001 needs to move to a 1- or 2-level course.

We'll work on these in teams...

3602 – Mark and Donovan.
Deni/Casey – MMC2100
Tony/Paul – VIC3001

Final policy on online classes for gen. ed. will come up at next meeting, but very likely online will be considered. Not

DE: Working on various matters concerning Dardenne. Memorial fund is going quite well, \$5100 in fund, additional communications will go out. Tree/plaque are in the works. Naming tech lab another possibility, but logistically complicated. Casey F. to move into Bob's office next spring.

DE: Murrow visit was great. For sure they'll be back next year. It's a nice honor for the visitors -- considered along same level as Fullbright. Visitors are essentially recruited after being identified as change agents in their countries. There may be other opportunities to get involved for us, in terms of travelling internationally. We have good connections via this project.

MW: We have video we can use to produce a mini-documentary.

DE: We have \$3500 this year in travel funds – needs to be completed by end of June. Get your TAR/preapproval together. Easiest if you're on the program for the conference/event.

MW: There's also some DL money for travel dedicated to DL learning, skills, etc.

CF: *Accreditation, competency reviews.*

MW: WUSF moving in. All the equipment, connections, keys are setup. We'll have a get-together early next semester.

DE: And we need to get the sign posted.

MW: We need to get the opportunities that this will present in terms of student/class work put together.

DE: Let's get someone to come in to tell us what they're looking for. (Added to agenda.)

MW: For DJD program, About 40 students now. Texas, Oregon, Tennessee coming on. The key in terms of commits is when we have a conversation on the phone, about 80% join it seems.

DE: Looking at hiring a consultant to work on social media for food writing cert, that will end up supporting the department art large. Seminar April 5 from Janet Keeler is in the works. Will be great event related to food writing.

TS: Interns are meeting biweekly – 4 meetings this semester, every two weeks in the spring. Live meetings seem to be resonating; we problem solve, and they have a chance to share their work. Learning contracts have also been created for spring to establish expectations on each side – student and company. Trying to get rid of ambiguity.

DE: *Review of schedules for spring, summer, fall.*