

Department Heads Council
Meeting Minutes
November 30, 2010
10:00 a.m. Room 297

Members Present:

Priscilla Bloomquist, Jon Boren, Tracey Carrillo, Lowell Catlett, Cynda Clary, Alan Torrell for Terry Crawford, Wiebke Boeing for Martha Desmond, Marcel Montanez for Esther Devall, Mark Gladden, Connie Padilla for Jeanne Gleason, Natalie Goldberg, Janet Green, Jim Libbin, Gary Lowe, Steve Loring, John Mexal, Tim Nesbitt, Tim Ross, Stephen Thomas for Jill Schroeder, Dave Thompson

Members Absent:

Chris Allison, Terry Crawford, Martha Desmond, Esther Devall, Jeanne Gleason, Bruce Hinrichs, Frank Hodnett, Jill Schroeder

1. Approval of Minutes for October 19, 2010

- Minutes were approved.

2. Faculty Senate Update

- Priscilla Bloomquist: Proposition to change Human Nutrition & Food Science(HNFS) major to Human Nutrition & Dietetic Sciences(HNDS) passed; Provost asked for a description of Faculty Senate shared governances; working on a proposition to change grading [plus/minus].

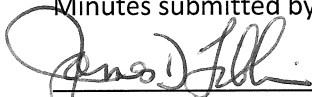
3. Aggies Go Global

- Gary Lowe: Gave handout on midyear updates for Aggies Go Global; three AXED students have put a proposal in to attend the Int'l Conference in Namibia in 2011.
- Marcel Montanez: talked about FCS Dietetic Internship. Packet is completed and a site visit is set for Feb. 14th-15th; AFCS club will be stuffing stocking for foster kids.
- Steve Loring: Met with security camera advisors group. NMSU has 200+ cameras on campus. Group is looking into which buildings on campus have cameras and where they are located.
- Jim Libbin: Reminded Dept. Heads that Sam Steel is Friday the 10th at 4:00 p.m. in Music Recital Hall. Will be introducing all Academic and Extension Dept. Heads; talked about salary savings for spring classes. Talk to Libbin if there is any questions about covering classes; asked Dept Heads for special help on nominating students for Ambassadors classes. Would like to see 20 to 24 ambassadors for 2011/2012 class.
- Mark Gladden: Talked about couple new scholarships and a memorial scholarship; discussed possible endowment; has the new 2011 Archives & Special Collections calendar. If you know of any donor/alumni that would like one, let Mark know.
- John Mexal: Hort 488 class & NMSU Floral team will be selling poinsettias on Dec. 1st in Gerald Thomas Hall lobby from 9:30 am to 3 pm. Floral design team will hold Silent Auction & reception on Dec. 7th in Skeen Hall rotunda from 4:30 pm to 6pm; Dr. Pratt will delay his start date one week; talked about Delano Lewis organizing a meeting around Mexico. They held a couple of meeting on environmental sciences, natural resources, energy and engineering. During meeting we learned that NMSU offers 65 outstate tuition waivers to Juarez; talked about Peace Corps fellows program going campus wide.

- Tim Nesbitt: External Audit completed and there are no adverse findings in the College of Ag.; college ended FY 2010 with 60% of funding coming from Grants & Contracts.
- Tim Ross: Reminded everyone of the Department Head Party on December 14th.
- Dave Thompson: Thanked everyone for information given for critical electrical needs during power outage.
- Steve Thomas: Department Head position for EPWS has been posted and will be posted until January 31st.
- Tracey Carrillo: Gave update on Leyendecker: 1)a retirement party for four or five field crews will held on Dec 6, 2) roof on lab building will be replaced and will notify faculty when replacement begins, 3) will be setting up 20 or 30 solar panels worth \$40,000 at Leyendecker. If any researchers have an interest in this project Tracey will be happy to collaborate with them, 4) they are starting a pilot program for plant and bio fuel production.
- Janet Green: HRTM special event class put on first beer festival. 907 tickets were sold, it was a complete success. This might become an annual event; HRTM received a quarter million dollar naming gift donated by Mrs. Marion Lawrence in memory of her late husband. GT room 140 will be named the "Bobby Lee Lawrence Academy of Wine".
- Lowell Catlett: Thanked everyone for all their hard work during these hard economic times.

Meeting adjourned at 10:30 a.m.

Minutes submitted by Pam Miller.



Approved

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Date