Department Meeting

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April 14, 2014

**Faculty present:** Aasand (presiding), Amidon, Anders, Bassett, Cain, Dehr, Fleming, Huffman, Lin, Minton, Roberts, Rumsey, Sandman, Stapleton, Stewart, Web-Sunderhaus, White

**Initial Business:**

Meeting called to order at 12:05. Minutes from March 5th were approved and the agenda was approved.

**Information items:**

* Kudos to:
  + Kate, recipient of summer IPFW 2014 grant for “Recovering the Immigrant Experience: The Politics of Whiteness in The General Federation of Women’s Clubs, 1890-1940.”
  + Curtis, for upcoming poems: in *Tidal Basin Review*; a chapbook about Stevie Wonder. He also presented at the 4C’s.
  + Damian, recipient of the Andrew W. Mellon Fellowship of Scholars in Critical Bibliography at the Rare Book School at the University of Virginia: [www.rarebookschool.org/fellowships/mellon/](http://www.rarebookschool.org/fellowships/mellon/)
  + Jennifer, completion of Ph.D.
  + Mary Ann, recipient of IU Exploratory Travel Fellowship for research and presentation on Margaret Burroughs at 4C’s. She and George did an episode of Arts Weekly broadcast on PBS and CATV regarding their recent literary publications.
  + Lidan, an essay in *Irish Studies Review*, “The Chinese Response to Samuel Beckett” (with **Xuemei**  Zhang).
  + Sara, an article “It’s Me and the Adjuncts: Writing Program Administration and Marginalized Students/Teachers” in *Open Words: Access and English Studies.* She presented at 4C’s and also spoke at the Appalachian Literacies and Rhetorics Special Interest Group.
  + Shannon, recipient of Research and Evaluation on Education in Science and Engineering (REESE) grant.
  + Suzanne, essay “Heritage Literacy,” selected to be reprinted as part of the next *Bedford St. Martin’s Sourcebook on Multimodal Composition*.
* Committee Reports-
  + The Ad Hoc Enchiridion Revision Committee has met and been working on changes which have been circulated on the sabbatical policy and option a/b workload assignments and Committee on Committees election process. To be discussed in the Fall.

**Old Business:**

* G.E. Capstone Courses have been submitted to the General Education Committee: Eng 421 & 371.
* Thanks to the Scholarship Committee for its hard work. Hardin proposed a student service award ($250) in honor of outgoing WPA, Steve Amidon for his many contributions.
* 2014-15 Budgeting: The numbers are stabilizing for the Fall. LTL budgets will become departmental responsibilities as of 2014-15. Summer sessions are down and we will be consolidating or canceling classes.
* 2014-15 position requests: Hardin reported that in addition to the writing center position approved in fall 2013, he has requested two additional positions following the 2011 program recommendations: one in Linguistics and one in Writing/ESL.

**New Business**

* Composition Committee discussed the sequencing of writing courses for majors,W202/W233/L371. The only program change is the addition of L371 as both a core course and potential capstone course for assessment purposes.
* Assessment Reports: We will collect papers from year to year (assessing literature upper-level courses this semester for Fall). The Undergrad Committee needs artifacts.

**Items from the floor**

* Writing Showcase in WALB G21

**Adjourned at 1:15 pm**

**Next meeting: August/September 2014**