

**Liberal Studies Review Committee**  
**Wednesday, September 18, 2013**  
**10:00 a.m. ED 200**

**Members Present:** Kim Morin, Nan Barker, Janell Morillo, Rajee Amarasinghe, Paul Crosbie, Bob Powell, Susan Schlievert, Susan Macy, Jim Mullooly,

**Guests:** Jessica Choy, Johnny Conley

The meeting was called to order at 10:10 am.

**Approval of the Minutes**

Minutes for 9/04/13 approved.

**Approval of the Agenda**

The agenda was approved with no additions

**Announcements**

- **All LSRC meetings for this semester will be held in ED 200**
- **Blackboard organization.** Kim Morin is working on compiling a list of emails for instructors who are teaching Liberal Studies classes so she can add their names to the Blackboard organization list. That will simplify the process of sending out announcements, messages and invitations. Both Kim and Carol S will keep track of the email messages regarding those addresses.
- Dr. Morillo brought up the question of placing checks and balances on students who need to do observation hours in schools for their Liberal Studies classes. The possibility of doing fingerprinting and Certificate of Clearances prior to these classes was discussed.

**New Business**

- The committee reviewed all 14 of the current Liberal Studies concentrations and Dr. Morillo reviewed the number of students who graduated with those concentrations last year. She recommended that representatives of each concentration review the courses offered and their enrollment numbers and assess whether they are still viable options and whether or not to continue offering those courses or make changes. Committee will hear reports back on these findings at our next meeting. Carol S will email the concentration survey results to all committee members. The following committee members have volunteered to review these concentration areas:
  - Kim Morin: Art; Children and the Arts; English-Creative Writing Option; English- Literature Option; Music
  - Kathie Reid: Child and Family Sciences
  - Rajee A: Mathematics
  - Nan Barker: Physical Education

- Paul Crosbie: Science; STEM
- Jim M: Social Institutions and Processes; Teaching the English Learner; World History and American Studies
- LS advisors Jessica and Johnny discussed issues of low enrollment in concentration courses and the need for students to get through the program ASAP. There are approximately 1,400 Liberal Studies Program students enrolled at Fresno State.

Continuing Business

- There was insufficient time to discuss SOAP and Technology Goal

Meeting was adjourned at 11:00 am.