

# **CAS Faculty Meeting**

## **Minutes**

**March 3, 1999**

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Call to order at 3:30.

The minutes from last meeting will be approved at the next meeting.

### **President's Report**

The President spent some time on his leave in Costa Rica; he shared a bus ride with a Lewis and Clark parent who had first gone to Costa Rica in 1981 to visit his son who was there on an Lewis and Clark trip.

The transportation policy is in place; the results have been quite positive. The exposure draft from last fall led to valuable community input. The impacts on parking have been much more significant than expected. We have been honored with an environmental award for our transportation management efforts, selected from among all medium sized businesses in the Pacific Northwest.

Given the reduction in vehicles, we have shelved plans for a parking structure in the foreseeable future. The lot between Watzek and the Manor House will become a green this summer. Griswold will be receiving a new artificial-turf playing surface. The Law School library expansion will begin in a year if it remains on schedule. A social sciences building, as well as a genuine student center, is a top priority of the next campaign.

Recent acquisitions have given Watzek the most complete collection of Lewis & Clark expedition material in the world. We are seeking a "Luce Professorship in the American Enlightenment." The focus of our end of the bicentennial celebration will be: "What is the long term meaning of the Lewis & Clark expedition?"

Monica Lewinsky will be conducting a TV interview tonight. Lewis & Clark College has tried throughout the year to preserve Lewinsky's dignity as a graduate of Lewis & Clark College.

### **Dean's Report**

We had 148 finalists for the Nealy Scholarships; 18 have been selected, with 15 alternates. Future advisors will be asked to help recruit these individuals.

Faculty phoning for early admits is much appreciated. Phoning for scholarship winners is next week.

This weekend is family weekend and the International Fair.

We have hired a freelance web designer to update our web page. We will be hiring a permanent web master who will be redesigning the home page. Comments should be directed to June Jones or Dean Atkinson.

Steve Beckham is chairing the search for library director. The candidates will be on campus over the next two weeks.

David Latham: Thursday 4-Friday 5

Joyce Davis: Monday 9-Tuesday 10

Dr. Richard Working: Thursday 11-Friday 12

Dr. James Kopp: Monday 15 -Tuesday 16

The Library Committee will also be interviewing the candidates. Schedules will be sent out over e-mail. Feedback should be directed to members of the search committee: Steve Beckham, Jane Atkinson, Janis Lochner, Eban Goodstein, Peter Nycum, or Brett Ingerman.

Every other Wednesday until school ends there will be faculty meetings discussing the general education report of the curriculum committee. Today's meeting will be a presentation of the report. In two weeks we will begin discussion of the document.

### **Committee Reports**

#### **AAAS**

Barb Balko: The following statement will be published in the registration bulletin informing students that they may be dropped if they don't attend the first meeting.

"Students are expected to be in attendance at the first class session or face the possibility of losing their registration in that class section. If a student cannot attend the first class, he/she must communicate with the professor, before the first class meeting, to determine if the seat will be held."

Dell Smith: A survey of first year students has been conducted about the advising process with 280 respondents. A report will be released providing summary information. The fall advising process begins next week.

#### **CPT**

John Callahan: Recommendations were forwarded to the Dean in mid January.

#### **Curriculum**

Bill Randall presented the introduction to the General Education Review. The text of the report can be found on the web on the College Governance Page: [www.lclark.edu/~cas/faculty](http://www.lclark.edu/~cas/faculty)

Jack Hart presented the first year course Review

Tom Schoeneman presented the International Studies Review.

Klaus Englehardt presented the Foreign Language Requirement Review

Evan Williams presented the Scientific/QR Review

Lee Garrett presented the Creative Arts Review.

Laura John presented the Physical Education Review.

Elaine Gass presented the Speaking, Writing, and Information Retrieval Review.

Evan Williams presented the Culminating Senior Experience Review

Bill Randall opened the floor for questions.

Was there any discussion of 2 lab requirements?

Not specifically. Many courses in A are also in B, so many students will actually take 2 lab courses.

In the International Studies requirement, do courses studying non-mainstream cultures within the United States count? Will the new requirement disallow such courses?

The Curriculum Committee will need to review list.

Scientists are prohibited from double counting. Are similar restrictions placed on other majors?

The issue was not specifically addressed. Foreign language majors cannot double dip. In fact, since science majors are required to take classes in the other sciences, the double-counting prohibition applies only to math majors.

Does the Curriculum Committee support e-mail discussion outside of the faculty meeting?

There is no objection to informal discussion. Voting must of course occur in a formal faculty meeting.

Bill Randall moved that the report be accepted and implemented.

A discussion of the procedure to be followed ensued. Dean Atkinson proposed that the body work through the recommendations one by one, amending where appropriate, and then vote on the recommendations as a whole. It was pointed out that under Robert's Rules, the body could agree to vote on the recommendations individually at any time. Dean Atkinson commented that the important thing to recognize is that the report is a package within which the connections must be recognized.

A whole new curriculum would not be imposed on next year's incoming students. If the motion fails, then the old curriculum stays in effect, and the curriculum committee goes back to work.

It was pointed out that there are resource issues raised by the report. Can they be addressed first?

Dean Atkinson reported that Academic Council has some data on this.

Don Balmer pointed out that if the faculty were to conclude that this is the best we can get, we can quickly free up a whole lot of Wednesdays afternoons.

The meeting adjourned at 5 p.m.

Respectfully submitted, Eban Goodstein