

DIVISIONAL AFFAIRS COMMITTEE (ARTS & HUMANITIES) MEETING MINUTES
Thursday, October 18, 2018—4:00-5:15 p.m.—BC436

Divisional Affairs Committee—Fall '18

Barrett Fisher [Dean]	Gary Long	Jeff Wetzig
Rhonda Gilbraith	Diana Magnuson	Dan Yim
Diane Krusemark	Chris Moore	Samuel Zalanga
Marion Larson	Ripley Smith	Meg Zauner [chair]
Donna LeGrand	Jonathan Veenker	

Guests: Bret Hyder (Director of Admissions)

Kristi Moline (Executive Director, Center for Healthcare Excellence)

1. Opening prayer (Gary Long)
2. Approve minutes from 20 September 2018
Minutes were approved
3. [10-15 minutes]: Kristi Moline: Update on pathways
 - a. Healthcare Endorsement
Handed out a flyer; a tangible product to hand to students; and talked through the handout
Attract students to Bethel to be intentional about Health Care
Send advisees to Kristi if they have questions and followup
<http://bethel.edu/healthcare-endorsement>
Q: is this innovative? Yes, appears to be
 - b. Senior Care Leadership and Administration
Launching in January; much more “intensive” than the Healthcare Endorsement
 - c. 10 \$5000 scholarships for students: students need to be hired in an internship by a health care environment
 - d. Not all details of the Healthcare Endorsement are ironed out; Kristi is soliciting academic eyes to help iron them out; looking for volunteers: one faculty per division
4. [20 minutes] Bret Hyder:
 - a. Discussion of student application
Walked through application
Deleted 35 questions since students want to apply quickly;
Structure of the app: about them, then future seeking (showing the Covenant) and financial aid options
Q: Whom are you trying to exclude by asking about students having Jesus as their personal savior? (followed by voices that felt the language is offputting and too narrow: sounds very insider)
How can it be better?: “Who or What does Jesus mean to you?”; “Describe your faith commitment”
Q: What is the intent or data Bethel wants from the student?
A: It’s the faith screen but not a deal breaker
R: But it does feel like a deal breaker because Bethel looks like it’s looking for a deeply committed Christian and thus not fill out the app

There was consensus around the following faith screen questions:

“Do you identify as a Christian?”; “What does that mean for you”; “Why are you attracted to a Christian-based university like Bethel?”

Q: Can we use the Common App?

A: 4 months ago Bret became open to using the Common App

R: Common App has option of additional essay; not having it makes Bethel look lightweight

R: expressed desire not to have the Covenant in the app and have students encounter it elsewhere, but before application deposit

R: the app inquiry of “Describe why you want to attend Bethel University” is where the Covenant feels it could fit or could summarize the Covenant to the applicant, introducing the idea we have expectations of each other

b. Updates

120 students today at Preview

Role of faculty for recruitment: if Admissions can highlight excellent programs, they like to do so, so keep your programs excellent

5. [10 minutes]: Department Chair Development:

a. CIC Workshop:

- Jon Veenker’s report: a good and worthwhile workshop, taking in hiring practices and many other sessions

- Opportunities in 2019: <http://www.cic.edu/2019DepartmentChairWorkshops>

b. *Chronicle* article: “Your To-do List as Chair”

Distribution of hardcopy

Outlines the 5 things to keep in mind for being a chair

Barrett: What do I want to do this year? What do I want as my legacy?

6. [10 minutes] Course proposals (*reviewed by the department chair, Barrett Fisher, Rhonda Gilbraith, Diane Krusemark, two members of the DAC, Deb Sullivan-Trainor, and a Gen Ed committee member*):

ENL2xxL: Story in the Modern World

3 credits

An exploration of the forms, purposes, and functions of story and how they have evolved, with an emphasis on the last 200 years. Students will examine their own roles and responsibilities as truth-seekers by reading, viewing, and creating texts that challenge and confirm assumptions about story in Western culture. *Proposed by Scott Winter; reviewed by Donna LeGrand and Chris Moore.*

Approved unanimously

HIS/POS2xxL: History and Politics of Sports

3 credits

The history of sports in the modern era, with particular attention paid to sports’ connection to international politics and public policy and to sports as a mirror for the history of race, gender, education, business, labor, and religion in the United States. *Proposed by Chris Gehrz and Chris Moore; reviewed by Gary Long and Jeff Wetzig.*

Approved unanimously

7. [10 minutes] TLT request to be present at DAC meeting?

Matt wonders whether having HIM auditing our DAC for TLT to have a pulse on.

Options or no or welcome to come as things are relevant?

Consensus: Barrett to take back to deans of other divisions for uniformity; and have Matt visit to talk about TLT

8. [10 minutes] Announcements:

a. Loads → Schedules

Loads drive schedules

b. Important dates in November (nothing expressed)

- c. Chair evaluations
Chair evaluations have been on hiatus for a while;
People who have been chairs over 3 years, evaluations were sent out last week
Meant to be informative and helpful
- d. Adjunct care (nothing expressed)
- e. Brittany Boehm: catl evals and web support
Laura Robertson: lead academics cooorn and contracts
Alyssa Hessler: schedules, loads, supports Barrett

9. Adjourned: 5:15