SOCIAL SCIENCES DIVISION MEETING DECEMBER 4, 2007 – Room 1H7 – 12:30 PM

Absent	Melinda Barr
	Jeff Carlisle
	Bruce Cook
Absent	Lois Ganick
	Ron Gray
	Randy Hopkins
	Thomas Jones
	Yuthika Kim
	Ray McCullar
	Cecilia Pittman
	Markus Smith
	Dana Tuley-Williams
	Absent

ATTENDANCE

- Dr. Yoder wished happy December birthday to John Ehrhardt, Mendy Barr, Susan Tabor and Nancy Pietroforte.
- Thanks to Dana Glencross for putting up the Christmas tree.
- Assessment coming soon but no fair.
- Strategic Initiatives (our input in the budget) will mostly be the remodel of the HT Building. If you have small items please let Dr. Yoder know.
- We will be getting trickle down computers from IT early in 2008.
- Return tuition fee waivers to Mary by Friday, December 14.
- Online evaluation, a new evaluation process for all classes, demonstration Wednesday at 2:00 PM in A&H, room 1C3.
- Wanda Roepke announced her retirement effective January 2, 2008. John Hughes asked to be on the search committee for her replacement. A temp will be hired soon.
- Master Advisory Workshop on January 7

Our guest, J.B. Messer, Director of Facilities Management, was introduced by Dr. Yoder. Mr. Messer spent a few minutes outlining the various work areas and directors for Facilities Management. He then talked about the up coming remodel of the Health Tech Building that will occur when Health Professions move to their new building in fall, 2008. Mr. Messer, Dr. Mark Davis, Mr. Stu Harvey, and Dr. Felix Aquino met with Dr. Yoder last week to discuss preliminary plans.

He said one of the things we need to do is rename the building. Social Sciences and Center for Social Sciences were suggested. He says a room by room assessment should be made thinking of lighting, ceiling, floors, heat/air, etc. All the aquatic side rooms would have the blowers silenced and the wall between the pool and division office would be insulated and most of the windows removed. John Hughes asked about the leaks in the building and Mr. Messer explained that several years ago a new roof was added and it is now sound and not leaking. There are some problems with the piping system and the aquatic systems control. A French drain was added outside the door by the restrooms which helped with water coming into the building from that area but water came down the hill so fast the drain could not handle it and it came in under the door and flooded the hallway and classroom. A berm has now been installed and this should take care of the problem. The retention pond out front actually was the first step in flood control for the school.

Bruce Cook mentioned the high humidity and mold count in the classrooms and hallway and division office. He was assured this would be addressed with a new heat/air system. As long as the pool is here then we will have some odors from the chemicals.

Rick Vollmer expressed concerns about only one entrance into the 1H13 office suite as being a fire hazard. Mr. Messer gave assurance that this is within fire codes.

A seminar room might possibly be located in the current computer lab next to 1H6. It would be equipped with tables and chairs for small group meetings or events. Dr. Aquino had also suggested that the walls along the hallway might be brought out to make more office space. Mr. Messer encouraged everyone to meet together in small groups and brainstorm ideas of what they would like to happen and then Facilities Management would prepare the plans. Another suggestion was a second story on this building to give even more room. Dana mentioned that all the windows along the side of the building need repair/replacement with insulation.

Dr. Yoder mentioned that she had met with OSU officials about beginning a Leisure Program and we would need housing for staff and classes in this area.

Ron Gray announced that he would be ending his classes this week and would be having corneal transplant surgery next Tuesday.

Dana Tuley Williams asked that anyone with new textbooks for Spring please bring copies to the library to be available for students. She also asked that faculty take time to fill out the online library survey.

Meeting adjourned.

Wanda Roepke Division Assistant