

SEPC Meeting- March 6, 1995

Members Present: David Henderson, Media Studies; James Simon, Social Sciences; Willa Carroll, Dance; Ellen Whitman, Literature;

James: Nominated Cynthia Primmerman for post of secretary.
All approved.

Election to Fill Vacant SEPC rep posts: Several have already happened. Drama will elect in workshop. Adnan has resigned, due to schedule conflicts. He will coordinate his replacement's election. Owen is in a similar position. Election for visual arts and media studies will be open to the student body. James will draft and distribute a galley. David is interested in continuing with his position but needs a second student to work with him. Music had their election within workshop this past week. They elected Rebekah Pym and Michelle Dorviller.

SEPC this Spring:

James: Our main goal this spring is increase student interest in SEPC: Term long were agenda discussed and approved. Agenda to go in College Week. Header describing SEPC will be included with agenda so people have a better idea of what SEPC does.

James: I want to use our committee as vehicle to build trust within the community. Trust is building but slowly. We need to emphasize ties to class reps so students with specific problems know who to deal with.

Willa: We can make SEPC a more effective body by having a meeting at midterm of class and discipline reps to address problems and get feedback.

James: Elections of class reps will be done before midterm so students know who their class reps are and who to speak to if there is a problem. This can also aid in communication from SEPC to the reps.

Part of our committee will be meeting to discuss improving faculty comments. It will be a lunch meeting from 12 to 1. Faculty will include Mansour Farhang, Isabelle Kaplan, Bill Reichblum. Administrators will include Lydia English and Robert Waldman. This meeting will discuss perspectives on faculty comments.

James: I want to redo questions on end of term comments for faculty. I think we need to give students guidance on writing their comments. There will be a meeting of SEPC to look at how faculty evaluations were done in Fall 1995.

Ellen: At a later date we need to discuss the elimination of the "NO" box on SEPC form.

James: Is on agenda for March 20 as part of discussion of Fall 1995 SEPC. We need to talk about different areas the student could explore if there is a personality conflict, inappropriate for inclusion on the course evaluation form.

Meeting adjourned at 6:45pm.