

## SEPC Minutes for 10/15/2003 -- Entitled: SEPC is Cracking Up.

Absent: Kelly Muzzi, Rachel Kiesel, Abigail Greer

### General Issues:

Media and Drama duke it out: There are problems with sound leakage and mean notes between the Dancers and the...Medians. Sound studio/ dance floor noises are interfering with each other. There is talk among both discipline faculty and students about how to remedy this problem. One long-term solution was suggested by some media students that included moving the Cage up to the POD and using the room that the Cage is currently in as a Recording Studio. The rumor on the street is that this space was developed for that purpose initially anyway.

Holly McCormick from the FWT office will be leaving us. She sent out a letter to the student body this week, and wants it to be known that the timing of her departure is such that a new Director will be able to adjust most quickly and conveniently during this time of year, and that she has full intention of training her replacement. Students should know that in the process of hiring, there are plans for student meetings with the top candidates. Please attend these sessions when they start, SEPC will try to publish them here.

We need a CCT rep! find us and come!

APC is discussing the duration of the drop/add period. Is 3 weeks too long? Let us know.

*Hope don't think it's a problem*

### Discipline Updates:

Music: Music is "arguing semantics" of course titles in the music discipline for the coming academic years. This translates into: "nothing of vital importance was discussed". We're still looking for a second SEPC Music Discipline Rep!! If you're interested, come to a meeting - 6:15 p.m. in the faculty lounge, Barn, Wednesdays.

Visual Arts: Kat and Oberon are working on getting a cross-media critique session called <sup>ART</sup> ~~Music~~ Forum" together. It will be Thursdays, in the "back crit room" of Vapa, 8:00 p.m. The purpose of the forum will be to critique work, and to get information and feedback from other areas of art. The first meeting (past Thursday) discussed how to get organized. There will be no faculty present as the intent is to focus on student feedback. The Jr. & Sr Reviews are the 17, 18, & 19th of November.

Dance: Mt. Anthony HS is looking for volunteers to judge a dance team over Long Weekend, small gratuity available, 23rd and 24th, talk to Terry Creach if you're interested. 3 students have taken over the paper & video dance archives and to record the performances for this year's dance concerts. There is also new sound equipment being installed in the Dance studios.

Media: See above.

Literature: ASAP was published this Thursday, the sixteenth. There will be a Halloween lit gathering, Costume Party style, it's the 29th of October, the theme is dress as your favorite writer and bring a scary story. Detroit Muslims will be opening.

RCLC: According to Nick, Carol Meyers is Awesome. Evidently there is much talk in the RCLC about mission statements and SEPC representation to the campus. The big 3 - "what" "who" and "why" are being tossed around, RCLC faculty are asking what it is to be committed to studying Language at Bennington. They are also considering peer tutoring. Look for International Week!! Yay!!

It was at about this time in the SEPC meeting that everyone inexplicably collapsed into hysterical and slightly maniacal laughing. Something about Nick extending the acronym RCLC into "Regional Center for Languages and Culture" just made them crack. for about 5 minutes. It must just be that time of year.

Science and Math: There are some fears about schedule changes, relating to the CPC and symmetry of the schedule. Science and Math faculty want to make sure that Fridays remain a part of the schedule. They are asking for feedback from students on this issue.

Drama: The Drama SEPC are looking for guest artists to come speak at Drama Forum, and there is a discussion going on about changing drama forum time to a later day in the week for next term to adjust to many speakers' schedules.

Social Science: Expect the Questionnaire Extraordinaire, coming soon from Sultana & Julieanne

Freshman: There is some concern about feedback in classes among freshmen. Advisor/Advisee relationships also seem to be a problem among some.

*Everyone yelling hard to get feedback.*

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