

SS Dept Mtg
Friday, February 10, 2023 (this meeting will start at 10am instead of 9:30am)
Spring 2023

Zoom Link: <https://fsw.zoom.us/j/93168457930>

Attendees: 20

Alexandra Nikishin	Eric Seelau	Lauren Madak	Randy Moffett	Rick Kaserman Terri Taggart Zoe Fryer
Brandon Jett	Harold Van Boven	Leslie Bartley	Sabine Maetzke	
Bruno Baltodano	Jacque Davis	Mark Herman	Sheila Seelau	
Camille Drake-Brassfield	Kaitlyn Muchnok	Matt Vivyan	Terri Housley	
Joel Reinking	Juan Carlos Ginarte	Phil Wiseley	Tom Donaldson	

Wendy Chase (10am):

- Research Expo—April 4 (12pm-1:15pm) & 5 (art events: 130-230 poetry reading, 245-330 music, black box art display)

OBOC (Brandon Jett):

- <https://fsw.presence.io/event/oboc-david-and-goliath-speaker-series-entrepreneurship-in-southwest-florida>
- Update for next event: Hosted by Juan Carlos Ginarte—Wed. March 1, 2023, 11:30am-1pm (Zoom, U- entrepreneurship)
- Richard Blanco (Obama’s inaugural poet): March, Brandon will provide date soon

FSW Open House event for all Schools:

- Friday, March 3, 2023, 1-4pm (Edison campus)
- SoAHSS tables; need volunteers to “human” the tables, advertise your classes!

Assessment (Eric Seelau):

- Update—all is well

Curriculum (Sheila Seelau):

- Update—nothing to update
- Camille and Leslie will update child psych for Mar 6 curriculum deadline

eLearning (Leslie Bartley):

- Update—Newsweek, FSW were ranked 87th out of 200 for our online programming!
 - <https://www.newsweek.com/rankings/americas-top-online-colleges-2023>
- AI being used to create essays; elearning keeping an eye on this unfolding
- Portal will update to a new look in near future; keep eye on email for updates
- Future possibility: Get all SS online courses stamped with QM certification
- Sabine: Packback tool to help students on how to move step-by-step through the writing process (and will detect if the work generated by students was created using AI technology)
- Phil: How do we know what courses are QM certified at FSW? How will students know? Leslie—badges will show for students (low cost/oer, QM, etc)

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Civics Literacy (Tom Donaldson, Joel Reinking, Kaitlyn Muchnok):

- Update—no meeting yet, Tom has looked at some data and is drafting an email to address approaches to the data.
- Students who take AMH 2020 or POS 2041 (as a prep course) have to take/pass the Civics Literacy test
- From Sheila: Civic Literacy Competency Requirement
In accordance with the State Board of Education Rule 6A-10.02413, Prior to the award of an associate in arts, first-time-in-college students entering a Florida College System institution in the 2018-19 school year, and thereafter must demonstrate competency in civic literacy through one of the following options prior to graduation:
 - Successfully passing one of two courses (see GE Guide) designed to include:
 - Understanding of the basic principles and practices of American democracy and how they are applied in our republican form of government:
 - An understanding of the United States Constitution and its application:
 - Knowledge of the founding documents and how they have shaped the nature and functions of our institutions of self-government; and
 - An understanding of landmark Supreme Court cases, landmark legislation and landmark executive actions and their impact on law and society.
 - AND-
 - (2) Achieving the standard score on one of the following assessments:
 - AP United States History 4
 - AP Government and Politics: United States 3
 - CLEP: American Government 50

Accolades:

- Brandon Jett recently won an award for an article he wrote!

Other business:

- Sheila—need info about forms for faculty eval (form 1 due 2/10/23)
- Incubate Debate (Randy Moffett)—Isn't familiar with this organization (national group?), but just in case anyone else received an email and is familiar with the org, and wants to partake in judging a debate in Immokalee. Contact info: Keinah Lexia Fort, Program Director, IncubateDebate.org, c: 803 762 7548, Sat, March 11th at Immokalee High School.
- Department Chair (end of term)