



**Department of Communication Studies and Foreign Languages**

**Meeting Minutes**

Friday, February 9, 2024  
2:00-3:30

<https://fsw.zoom.us/j/82247336254> Meeting ID: 822 4733 6254 PM

<b><u>Faculty</u></b>	Present	Absent	Excused
Philip Allen	x		
Alessandro Cesarano	x		
Ann Eastman	x		
Evan Johnson	x		
William Kelvin	x		
Katharine O'Connor	x		
Dani Peterson	x		
Jennifer Summary	x		
Jamie Votraw	x		

<b><u>Adjuncts</u></b>	Present	Absent	Excused
Jim Acton	x		
Philip Bickel		x	
Lindsay Carr		x	
Juniace Etienne		x	
Eliut González		x	
Marisol Hernandez-Soto		x	
Ladan Jalinousi	x		
Courtney Lanute		x	
Claudia Marques-Resendiz		x	
Ruth Miller		x	
Carol Roark	x		
Roy Samuelson		x	
Michele Smith		x	
Norm Toback	x		
Myra Walters	x		
<b><u>Student Success Advisor</u></b>			
Joanna Liebelt	x		

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- I. Welcome: Meeting is called to order at 2:02 pm
- II. Approval of Minutes: Approval of Minutes. No objections or corrections are mentioned. The January 12, 2024 meeting minutes are officially approved. Dani made the motion to approve.
- III. Reports:  
Standing Committees:
  - A. Academic Standards Committee—Ann, Bill  
Academic Misconduct

No additional report this month from our department. For additional minutes, refer to the SoAHSS meeting from Friday, February 9, 2024.
  - B. Academic Technology Committee—Alessandro  
Faculty Survey

In partnership with FSW Online, FSW's Academic Technology Committee crafted a survey designed to tap into faculty experiences and gather feedback on our online teaching and support systems. Alessandro announced that 25 courses have received Quality Matters certification.
  - C. Curriculum Committee—Dani  

Dani Peterson will be representing GEAC, to propose the changes that to our gen ed program that have been submitted by faculty this year and those changes that have been given to us by state recommendations.

Also of note, there are going to be some changes proposed to the AS program Science and Engineering Technology, and CCC, Scientific Workplace that will have impacts on enrollment in Communication Studies courses. The requirement for those programs is going to change its wording from "ENC 1101 AND ENC 1102 AND SPC 1017 AND SPC 2608" to "ENC 1101 and ENC 1102 OR ENC 2110 OR SPC 2608 OR SPC 2608". This will be voted on (and likely to be approved) at the February 16 meeting.
  - D. General Education Advisory Council—Jamie, Dani  

The committee is considering opening up the general education writing intensive designation to courses outside of English, Social Sciences, and Humanities. Currently, only general education courses beyond Composition I and II, Social Sciences, and Humanities can carry the writing intensive label. In an effort to get feedback from faculty, we are dedicating the first part of our February meeting to discussing the pros and cons of this topic and we are encouraging interested faculty members to attend the

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meeting and take part in this discussion. Here is the Zoom information:  
<https://fsw.zoom.us/j/89739203844> .

- E. Learning Assessment Committee—Jennifer  
Jennifer encouraged us to participate in the Assessment 101 Canvas Course.
- F. Professional Development Committee—Katie  
Katie reminded us of upcoming dates for submitting travel applications. Apps are open for April, May, June funding.

#### Other Committees:

- A. Effectiveness Coordinator – Bill
  - 1. PD session for Comm Studies on February 23<sup>rd</sup> 10-12 pm. via Zoom. Targeted items are Oral Citations, support types, conclusions and possibly tech issues.
  - 2. PD session for Foreign Languages is also on February 23<sup>rd</sup> from 10 to 12.
- B. Shared Governance—Jennifer, Jamie  
No report
- C. Continuing Contract Review Committee—Jennifer  
No report
- D. OER— Alessandro, Evan

Alessandro announced an upcoming PD workshop opportunity about the development of a self-paced, asynchronous online learning opportunity focused on the introduction of OER, identifying good quality sources, and integrating these sources into courses. The team was still determining who would handle each aspect of this professional development workshop.

- E. QEP/Capstone—Katie

Katie announced the upcoming Connections Week before spring break, which includes a field trip to Mound Key and various events at the Lee campus. She also mentioned a cooking demonstration by Alessandro Cesarano during the global connection week and a presentation by Betty Jean Steinhauer.

#### Clubs:

- A. Italian Club—Alessandro
  - Upcoming Events:
    - Conversation Table, Lee, Q128, 02/14/2024 - 1:00 pm
    - Field Trip to Local Italian Market/Deli, Tuscany Italian Market, 7890 Summerlin Lakes Drive # 101, Fort Myers, FL 33907. 02/22/2024 - 2:00 pm
    - Italian Movie Screening, Zoom, 02/26/2024 - 8:00 pm

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Italian Program/Club Meet and Greet, Collier, 02/28/2024 - 4:00 pm

Cooking Demo: Bruschetta Lee, Outside of Building, J03/07/2024 - 12:30 pm

B. Francophone Club—Dani

To celebrate Black History Month, there will be a film screening of "Rue Cases-Nègres". It will be on Thursday, February 29th, at 3:00 pm. (There will be options to both attend in-person and through Zoom.)

VI. Announcements:

A. CCC—Social Media Communication Fall 2024—Look for ways to include relevant content in our courses to coincide with the certificate. According to Joanne Liebelt, the certificate and AA degree can be done at the same time.

B. Dr. Brian Page is our new division Dean.

C. Adjuncts Portfolios—Due the end of February

E. Form 1 due by February 9<sup>th</sup>. Form 3 due end of March.

F. Tech Tricks workshop with Bill on Feb. 23<sup>rd</sup>.

G. Battle of the Buccaneers

Student videos for potential contestants should be in by March 1st.

Jamie confirmed the judges for the public speaking competition, including Jeremy Pilarski, Yurit Santos, and J. Webb Horton. Evan was introduced as the new MC for the event. The competition will take place on April 9th, associated with Research Expo week, and will offer three cash prizes. No food or drinks will be provided due to a rejected grant application, but a reception will be held prior to the competition. Katie suggested additional prizes, but no final decision was made. Jamie emphasized the need for speakers and the difficulties in securing funding. The team also discussed the importance of involving more male students in speaking roles and the possibility of soliciting donations for the project.

The team explored the idea of using gift card donations for educational purposes, with Carol suggesting looking into Publix.com for options and Jamie potentially able to help. There were concerns about checking with Dr. Page due to the foundation's specific guidelines. The team also discussed potential donations from local businesses, but concerns were raised about potential restrictions. Jamie proposed collecting student speech videos for review, which Jennifer Summary agreed would showcase their work and highlight the team's capabilities. The team also agreed to expand the 'Battle of the Bucs' public speaking competition beyond just communication students, with the idea of having non-communication students select a speech faculty mentor. The expansion was seen as a way to attract more talented speakers and align with the argument for teaching public speaking across all academic disciplines.

VII. Any other business:

None



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VIII. Adjournment 3:14 pm

Respectfully, Ann Eastman 2/21/2024