

English Meeting  
**23 August 2013**

Multi-cultural Room at Student Union

Present: Robert Kibler, Nicole Thom-Arens, Margaret Sherve, Ron Fischer, Frank McCahill, Patti Kurtz, Sarah Aleshire, and ShaunAnne Tangney; Absent: Eric Furuseth, Duane Halvorson, and Harold Nelson

*Approval of Minutes:* English Department minutes of May 2, 2013. No action taken.

*Drop Box for Pictures:* Nicole will set up a Dropbox that we can use to post pictures of events. To post photos to it, 1) create a folder; 2) label and date it; 3) post photos in it.

*Writing Center Fee:* Patti suggests we pursue a tuition fee that all students pay to support the Writing Center since the Writing Center is used by all MSU students.

*4 Year Plan for the BA English and BSE English Education degrees:* Considering, reducing graduation credit requirements, the BA is at 129 credits. Dropping the 6 credit Elective requirement would move the credits to 123. The BSE, which is at 128, could lose 3 credits from the Writing Requirement, which would drop the total to 125. Robert and Ron will work on a plan for completing both the BA and BSE within 4 years.

*Meetings:* Last Thursday of the month.

*Flyer:* Shaunanne **moved** to funding the flyer for English Club and Wordstock. Patti called the **second. Motion approved.**

*Wordstock, Sept. 11-14:* Sarah suggests that faculty invite Sam Cook to their classrooms and that faculty encourage student to attend the Wednesday, September 11 performance.

*Welcome Back Barbecue:* Margaret requested contributions to reach \$160 for the BBQ, about \$20 each. Thursday, 29<sup>th</sup> of August

*Budget:* Once the English Department receives funding, the minutes will include a running account of expenditures.

Upcoming Department Meetings in Hartnett 301 at 12:30: Thursday, September 29.