English Department Meeting 29 September 2015 Hartnett Hall 330

*Present*: S. Aleshire, R. Fischer, E. Furuseth, R. Kibler, N. Thom-Arens, and A. Watts

*Approval of Minutes*. Robert **moved** to approve; Amanda called the **second**. **Minutes approved**.

*English Club*: Recruitment and attendance needs. The ENGL 191 may make a difference in participating numbers when it meets in the spring.

Comp Talk: Nicole extended an invitation for faculty to share some methods and techniques for teaching composition. Plans are to schedule one a month, so sign up to present. Nicole will host the first. Also, plans are to offer a Tuesday composition class for athletes in the Fall of 2013, a block class from 8:00 to 11:00. The class could be offered for the first time Fall 2016 to see how successful it is with students in the athletic program who have attendance problems with MWF courses.

*Promotional Video*: In order to produce using our BA and BSE English graduate, faculty should recommend names of graduates to Nicole so that she can contact them and arrange a time to video tape them.

Online Committee: CEL is concerned about the high withdrawal rate in online courses. It was agreed that CEL can send the information about withdrawal rates from online ENGL courses. Nicole and Sarah will collect information from English faculty who teach online about the rate of withdrawal, why it is high and what can be done to reduce that rate.

Next meeting: Thursday, 22 October 2015