

English Department Meeting
24 March 2016
Hartnett Hall 330

Present: S. Aleshire, A. Bowen, R. Fischer, E. Furuseth, R. Kibler, F. McCahill, M. Sherve, N. Thom-Arens

Approval of Minutes. Nicole **moved** to approve with change of spelling for Deming and Moore; Robert called the **second. Minutes approved.**

Awards Banquet: The Banquet will be held either April 26 or 28 (final determination dependent on avoiding a conflicting meeting). The following awards will be presented:

- *Outstanding Senior:* **Kayla Palczewski**
- *Distinguished Major:* **Jori Larson**
- *Literature Option Book Award:* **Haley Mastveltn** (Presenter: Robert Kibler)
- *Writing Option Book Award:* **Martina Krantz** (Presenter: Nicole Thom-Arens)
- *English Education Book Award:* **Brittna Gregory** (Presenter: Eric Furuseth)

April 4 Informational Meeting with Majors: Instead of a meeting, Eric will forward via e-mail information about the Course Rotations to the Majors so that they can determine what courses they need to register for during registration.

Poetry Slam: Scheduled for April 17.

Sigma Tau Delta Funding: The English Department agrees to contribute to the travel expenses for students attending the *Sigma Tau Conference* next year. The actual amount of the contribution will be determined next year when the number of students going is settled and when the Department funds can be calculated.

COMPASS Admittance Test: COMPASS will no longer be available as an instrument for determining the placement of students into Composition courses. An alternative Writing Exam needs to be found. If anyone has suggestions, let Robert know.

Online Committee: Nicole requested input on the format for online courses moving toward uniformity. Changes are coming to CEL as the NDSU system moves toward a statewide center. Uniform course designs are being considered.

Shakespeare Fest: April 23 celebration for Shakespeare's birthday.

Next meeting: Thursday, April 31st at 12:30, HH330