



February 5, 2015

Dear Language Arts Faculty,

Winter intersession winds down as we gear up for the start of spring semester classes this coming Monday. Thanks to all who taught our winter classes in what can only be described as an intensive, focused effort.

We start on a strong note with fully registered classes and much anticipation. Very soon, we will begin the selection process for a probationary, tenure-track English position for our college, one that will undoubtedly result in identifying excellent candidates who bring additional energy, experience, innovation and community involvement.

Please note that Language Arts is on the agenda for the Senate meeting on February 24, 2015, at 12:45 pm in SSB 414 - to present the initiatives and strategies our division faculty implement to address closing the achievement gap. Luis invites others to help him plan this presentation. Please contact him at CordovLA@wlaac.edu

Attached, for you to read, absorb, think about and provide input on – the draft Divisional Reorganization Plan presented to the Divisional Council this week. The president emphasized that “there is nothing sacred about this first draft,” so this is an agenda item for our first Language Arts division meeting, Thursday, February 19, 2015, at 1:00 p.m. in our conference room, GC 210K. Please join us then.

Remember to submit your class syllabi to languageartschair@wlaac.edu no later than the second week of classes. Include the course-level SLOs, found at <http://www.wlaac.edu/committees/slos/index.aspx>

Spring semester Language Arts Division meetings:

Thurs	Feb 19, 2015	1:00 p.m.
Wed	Mar 11, 2015	2:30 p.m.
Mon	Apr 27, 2015	1:00 p.m.
Wed	May 20, 2015	2:30 p.m.

Please join us on Monday, March 2, 2015, 1:00 pm – 2:00 pm, location TBA, as West *celebrates* the life of Betty Jacobs, former chair of Language Arts, instructor of English and communication studies instructor, whose loss is keenly felt.

I look forward to seeing you at tomorrow’s Spring Summit and next week.

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