

Cultural Affairs Council Minutes

August 23, 2007

Fine Arts Bldg. Room 308

Present: Freudenthal, Kovacs (Chair), Livingston-Friedley, and Manopoulos

Excused: Bhushan, Herrman, Ray, and Richards

I. Preliminaries and Introductions

Diana Livingston-Friedley and Catherine Wallace were welcomed as the new College of Arts and Sciences representative and Council recording secretary respectively.

II. Approval of April 27, 2007 minutes

ACTION: Moved by Manopoulos and seconded by Freudenthal to approve the CAC minutes of April 27, 2007. **Passed unanimously.**

III. Elect a new Chair for 2007-2008 fiscal year

ACTION: Moved by Kovacs and seconded by Friedley to elect Monique Manopoulos as Chair of the Cultural Affairs Council to replace Melanie Kloetzel who was elected to begin her term this fall and then left the University. The council elects the chairperson every second year in the last meeting of the fall semester. **Passed unanimously.**

IV. Mini-Grants 2007-2008

Rudy Kovacs received two mini-grants proposals late spring, which were passed on to the Cultural Affairs Council for consideration during the summer.

ACTION: Moved by Freudenthal and seconded by Livingston-Friedley to approve the Mini-Grants for Dr. Kori Bond and Dr. Jeff Meldrum for \$500 each. **Passed unanimously.**

In addition, Manopoulos and Livingston-Friedley each had received an email from Amanda Fisher regarding a proposal by the Biology Graduate Students to bring a speaker to campus for Darwin Day. Fisher's email claimed a grant of \$500 had been awarded, conditioned upon the acceptance of a speaker and the finalizing of a date for the presentation. Dr. May Berenbaum from the University of Illinois has apparently expressed a willingness to speak at ISU on February 14, 2008. Council Members will look at the Mini Grant proposals to see if the proposal was submitted and what action the council took. However, the Biology Graduate Students' grant proposal is not on the list that Melanie gave to Rudy. It was decided to **postpone** any further discussion on this issue and take it up again in the next Council meeting pending further information and to have the council members

look at the proposals given to them by Melanie for the April meeting last spring (2007).

Kovacs mentioned that one of the allotted Mini-Grants last year was approved to be used this year and the money is in our local account.

ACTION: Moved by Kovacs and seconded by Freudenthal to approve, contingent upon the completion of the application with the notification of the speaker. **Passed unanimously.**

V. New Business

With the departure of Melanie Kloetzel, there is a vacant seat on the Council for an Arts and Sciences representative. The Faculty Senate representative is scheduled to be appointed during the upcoming Senate meeting.

Meeting dates will need to be set for this academic year. Various options are available as potential meeting places, including the Faculty Senate Offices. Kovacs and Manopoulos will get together soon to go over the duties of the Chair.

VI. Adjournment: 8:55 a.m.

Respectfully Submitted by
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Approved by Cultural Affairs Council: October 11, 2007
Approved by Faculty Senate: October 15, 2007