

## **Associate Deans Council Meeting April 8, 2009**

**Present:** Jerome A. Gilbert, Chair; Wes Ammon, Dave Breaux, David Bridges, Tim Chamblee, Diane Daniels, Walter Deihl, Lisa Harris, Rachel Singleton (for Rick Kaminski), Dinetta Karriem, David Lewis, Scott Maynard, Becky Gardner (for Nancy McCarley), Elton Moore, Linda Morse, Bill Person, Donna Reese, Lynn Reinschmiedt, Kevin Rogers (for Barbara Spencer), Sharon Nobles (for Butch Stokes), Mike White. Guests: Chiquita Briley, Blake Jeter, and Lou D'Abramo

**Dr. Gilbert called the meeting to order at 1:30 p.m. in 611 Allen Hall.**

**1. Consideration of the minutes:**

The minutes of the March 25, 2009 meeting were approved as submitted.

**2. Chairperson's Report:**

- Dr. Gilbert reminded everyone that graduation was May 2<sup>nd</sup> with ceremonies at 9:00 a.m. and 2:00 p.m.
- Dr. Gilbert announced that the Learning Center is creating an ARG (alternative reality game) to go along with the summer reading "A Painted House".

**3. War on Hunger:**

Dr. Chiquita Briley discussed the year-end food drive for food pantries in the area. Departments can collect cans and call 5-0240 and someone will come by and pick up the items. If you would like a flyer for your department, Dr. Briley will provide you with one.

**4. Text Book Adoption:**

Blake Jeter presented the council with a slide presentation of how text book adoption would benefit the students at MSU. This would allow the bookstore to lower prices and allow them to give the student more back when selling the book back at the end of the semester.

**5. Northern Ireland:**

Applications are due June 8<sup>th</sup> for the SEC Study Abroad in Northern Ireland. Molly Watkins announced the Study Abroad group of the Southeastern Conference Academic Consortium passed a resolution (MOA) to allow students at any SEC school to participate in selected study abroad programs at SEC schools with in-state tuition.

**6. New AOP: Academic Amnesty for Graduate Students:**

Associate Deans will discuss with their departments for input. The AOP will be brought up at the next Associate Deans Council.

**7. Other Business:**

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