

A & S Executive Committee Meeting Minutes for January 29, 2009

Present: Peter Bleed, David Hansen, Al Kamil, Roger Kirby, Sidnie White Crawford, Helen Moore, Joy Ritchie, Judy Walker, Jessica Coope, Amy Goodburn, David Manderscheid, Greg Snow, Bill Watts and Becky Carter

1. Approval of Minutes from 1/22/2009 Executive Committee Meeting
2. State of the Budget: The committee continued to discuss ways of getting ready for potential budget cuts.
3. Honor's Convocation Speaker: The committee made suggestions on possible speakers for the upcoming A&S Honor's Convocation.
4. Professional Pursuits through the Liberal Arts: Bill Watts led a discussion that underscored the notion that the College needs to be more proactive in promoting undergraduate student experiences and career choices. Several ideas were brought to the table on how to collect information on students that make interesting and unusual uses of Arts and Sciences majors so that students can be helped to find effective careers.
5. Other Scholarship Opportunities: Currently, David Fellowship winners are also given the Dean's Merit scholarship for up to two years at \$1,000/year. The committee discussed whether using the money towards the Dean's Merit scholarship was the best use of the unrestricted Foundation funds. Several alternatives were discussed.