

FACULTY OF ARTS  
Minutes of Meeting  
January 27, 2015  
Robert Vogel Council Room

**Attendance:** As per Faculty Appendix Book.

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- MISC's 2015 annual conference, *The Cities We Need (Les villes qu'il nous faut)* will take place in Montreal on February 19 and 20, 2015, at the Phi Centre (407 St Pierre St). Registration was now open.

Dean Manfredi congratulated, on behalf of the Faculty, the following colleagues and noted that those being honoured with awards should forward the information to his office so that accolades can be announced at Faculty meetings:

- Congratulations to Professor Hans Beck (History and Classical Studies) who has received the 2015 Anneliese Maier Research Award. Awarded by the Alexander von Humboldt Foundation, the prize merits excellence in research and leadership in international collaboration in the Humanities and Social Sciences.
- Congratulations to Professor Eduardo Kohn (Anthropology) who has been awarded the Gregory Bateson Prize for best book of the year in sociocultural anthropology for his monograph, *How Forests Think: Toward an Anthropology Beyond the Human*.
- Congratulations to Professor T.V. Paul (Political Science) who has been elected as the 56th President (2016-17) of the International Studies Association

**Report of the Dean**

308.1 Dean Manfredi reported on the following:

Deanship – Transition

- Dean Manfredi said that he would remain as Dean until April 30<sup>th</sup> before moving to his new position, as announced in December, as Provost and Vice Principal (Academic). In the next few weeks the Provost should be announcing who will become the Interim Dean until the process to select a new dean has been completed. An

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- The Chairs and Directors have recently been provided with guidelines on how to write course descriptions for proposed new courses, the style guidelines was provided by the University.
- A new rule from APC was that for each new program proposed the Faculty must retire one existing minor concentration. This was because the University feels there are too many existing programs University wide. This has been discussed in the departments.
- It has been brought to the attention of the Curriculum Committee that it would be very helpful to students if departmental web sites with regards to course offerings and descriptions of courses for the following semesters were updated and matched each other. It would also be helpful if course evaluation information could be provided so that students, in particular students with disabilities,

