

Summary Minutes of the Second Language Acquisition Institute
Joint meeting of the SLAI Executive Board and the Language and Literature Assembly
Tuesday, June 10, 2008, 11:00am-12:00pm

- 7 of 10 members of the SLAI Executive Board, and Karen Callahan (SLAI Assistant Director), were present: Travis Bradley (Director), Moradewun Adejunmobi (African-American & African Studies), Bruce Anderson (French), Carlee Arnett (German), Chengzhi Chu (Chinese), Noriko Iwasaki (Japanese), Suad Joseph (Anthropology, Middle East/South Asia Studies)
- 4 of 11 members of the Language and Literatures Assembly were present: Chia-ning Chang (East Asian Languages and Cultures), Cecilia Colombi (Spanish), David Traill (Classics), Julia Simon (French)

1. Punjabi instruction at UC Davis

- At its previous meeting on January 25, 2008, the SLAI Executive Board decided that going forward with the Punjabi proposal is in compliance with the Language Task Force Report and voted unanimously to declare its support for the initiative to pursue Punjabi instruction to the UC Davis campus.
- Travis Bradley gave an update on the current status of the initiative to pursue Punjabi instruction.

2. Foreign language instruction survey

- Travis Bradley described the ongoing progress of a foreign language instruction survey. A scantron-based survey was developed by the L&S 2007-2008 Committee on the Study of Foreign Languages, chaired by Noah Guynn (French), and was administered in UC Davis language classes in Winter 2008.
- The next phase will be to target the wider UC Davis undergraduate population in Fall 2008, using an online survey tool. Results from the in-class scantron survey will be compared with those provided by the electronic survey.

3. SLAI lecture series

- Karen Callahan invited suggestions from SLAI Executive Board members about potential guest speakers to bring to campus during the 2008-2009 academic year.