

Educational Policy Committee (EPC)
November 1, 2011

Present: Professors Cynthia J Koepp, Ted Lossowski, Sally Sievers, Susan Tabrizi, Student member Jeremiah Miller; and Provost Cindy Speaker (chair)

The meeting began at 9:32 a.m.

1. The minutes of October 25, 2011 were approved with corrections.
2. Professor Susan Tabrizi volunteered to be the EPC representative on the Strategic Planning Committee. All were in favor.
3. The committee reported on the various individuals who were contacted and invited to be point persons for the "Celebrate Scholarship and Engagement Days". Those members are as follows:
 - a. Sustainability-Professors O'Leary and Morfei
 - b. Women and Gender-Professors Wahl and Hall
 - c. Civil Liberties and Freedom- Professors Tabrizi and Koepp
 - d. Imagination and Innovation, Celebrating Creative Projects- Professors Lossowski and Brandenburg
 - e. Activism Symposium-Professor Laura McClusky and Ms. Nicole Pellegrino

Ms. Phyllis Siemiatkowski and Ms. Rhonda Dellinger will plan the logistics for the above days.

One member brought up the financial concerns of implementing the CSE days. The Provost's response was that the faculty should not think of this as additional material but to repackage what we already do and coordinate it with these set dates. The Provost will inform the faculty this week about the CSE days so they may have adequate time before our next faculty meeting to pose questions to the President.

The committee then had a robust discussion on if the "Themed Seminars" should have the option of pass fail. The provost reported statistics of how many students have used this option over the past several semesters. After discussing the many pros and cons, the committee eventually unanimously agreed to have this option.

The meeting adjourned at 10:35 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Theodore Lossowski