

Educational Policy Committee (EPC)

October 2, 2014

Present: Professors Linda Lohn, Lauren O'Neil, Susan Wansor; Student Representative Leslie Green '17; and Provost Cindy Speaker

The meeting began at 3:48 p.m.

1. Minutes from September 25, 2014 were approved.
2. Report – Linda Lohn on the meeting with the Board of Trustees
  - Positive feedback on the Course Levels Document
  - Expect us to work on assessment
  - Overall – a positive meeting
3. Changes to internships
  - All approve
4. Notice of Motion for the October meeting
  - Notice of Motion will be sent to the Secretary of the Faculty for:
    - Internship changes
    - Acquiring credit
5. Double-dipping in the Sustainable Communities curriculum
  - As per the current college catalog, “Only one themed seminar can count toward a student’s major.”
  - Themed seminars include: SC101, LGI,CML, CCEE
  - Current policy only focuses on themed seminars and not the entire set of college requirements
6. Discussion around the double-dipping issue
  - Double- dipping doesn’t seem to be the issue
  - The issue seems to be about whether the course offerings are meeting the needs of all students
  - The solution may be the new course levels and trying to make sure all majors have more 200 level courses

7. Decision

- All were in agreement to keep the policy the way it is
- Will reevaluate after the new course levels are set

8. Began discussion on the 3<sup>rd</sup> year themed seminar

- Should we abandon service learning?
- Should we look at focusing on innovation and creative problem solving?

9. At the next meeting the discussion will continue on the 3<sup>rd</sup> year themed seminar

The meeting adjourned at 4:42

Respectfully submitted,

Susan Wansor