

EPAG Minutes

Thursday, December 8, 2011

11:30-1:00 Campus Center 214

Holly Barcus, Kendrick Brown, Terri Fishel, Janet Folina, Kate Hamilton, James Heyman, Ann Minnick, Yeukai Mudzi, Kathy Murray, Jayne Niemi, Sonita Sarker, Patrick Schmidt, Chad Topaz

1. Jaine Strauss and Joelle Vitiello are the new members of EPAG 12-13, along with Harry Waters Jr. Although Harry was not available (on sabbatical), Jaine and Joelle joined us for the beginning of this meeting. Patrick asked the future EPAG members to choose a chair for the next academic year. After some discussion, Sonita was nominated and accepted. She welcomed the idea of a co-chair or vice-chair. The meeting time next year will be 3:00 to 4:30 p.m. on Thursdays.
2. Our meeting next week is during final exams and James does have a final exam, so he will either come late or make other arrangements.
3. The Student Learning Committee representative from EPAG next semester is going to be Harry.
4. The minutes from December 1st meeting required some minor corrections and were then approved.
5. Discussion of Russian Studies: Patrick gave us a new handout with additional tables. He also reminded us about a few procedural items regarding member participation and voting. The centerpiece of the week's discussion was to provide space for each member of the committee to explain how they currently see the question and its many facets, from which we continued in discussions about varied issues and the underlying values those positions represent. We concluded with the sense that there are still a number of basic questions left unresolved. Patrick also suggested that we think ahead to what we are learning from and about the process.

Adjourned at 1:03.

Respectfully submitted,

Jayne Niemi

Registrar