

## EPAG Minutes

October 13, 2011

Present: Holly Barcus, Kendrick Brown, Terri Fishel, Janet Folina, Katherine Hamilton, James Heyman, Ann Minnick, Yeukai Mudzi, Kathy Murray, Jayne Niemi, Sonita Sarker, Patrick Schmidt (Chair), Christine Wilcox.

1. Approval of Minutes - Minutes were not approved, but a new version will be sent out to members for reviews.
2. Announcements
  - a. A memo to GERC was shared.
  - b. The Chair reported on recent meetings with faculty and staff about items that are still in their developmental stages.
  - c. Question: When is the concentration in critical theory effective? Answer: Approval of new concentration in critical theory means the concentration is effective immediately.
3. Reports on Board of Trustee Meetings - Adrienne Christiansen addressed Academic Affairs; Kathy gave a review of the building project; Chris met with campus life and shared that student satisfaction is high regarding physical changes and the website changes. Kendrick presented the draft statement on student learning; Brian Lindeman from admissions shared a new brochure that stresses the quality of education and talked about the net calculator that is a federal mandate; Sonita met with Advancement Committee and we're ahead in terms of meeting our goal with three months left in the campaign.
4. Chemistry Self-Study - Kendrick shared the standard three questions from the handbook:
  - \* What role does the department play in the general education requirements?
  - \* How well does the department introduce its major students to the field of study?
  - \* Is the department well configured to fulfill its role?We discussed other questions and Patrick will prepare the list to share with the outside review team.
5. There will be no meeting during fall break, but we will need to meet one more additional time, possibly an evening session.
6. EPAG Schedule, Russian Studies next week. There is a town hall on Monday at 4:30 in Olin Rice 250.

Adjourned at 1 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by Terri Fishel, Library Director