EPAG Minutes Thursday, October 20, 2011 11:30-1:00 Campus Center 214

Holly Barcus, Kendrick Brown, Patrick Schmidt (chair), Sonita Sarker, Yeukai Mudzi, Kate Hamilton, James Heyman, Ann Minnick, Janet Folina, Chad Topaz, Chris Willcox, Jayne Niemi

- 1. Minutes: The minutes as revised and circulated were approved.
- 2. Course changes: approved. This only included two requests, both for January travel courses.
- 3. Patrick announced the scheduled visits of faculty and the IC staff.
- 4. We were updated about on-going work on the Writing requirement. Ann will head up a sub-group that will include Adrienne Christiansen, and EPAG representatives Yeukai and Kate. James agreed to join, and Janet will consider it if meetings begin no earlier than spring semester. We want to summarize and highlight ongoing small steps, but plan and strategize for bigger, bolder initiatives. Kendrick asked to join the group as well.
- 5. Russian Studies: We spent the remainder of the meeting discussing what we learned so far from the town hall meetings, what other data and information we might need, our questions and our strategies for answering them fully. Patrick will try to work on an extra meeting time of some length for discussion. It was suggested that we gather questions, assign responders to questions, then come back together to edit, discuss, rewrite. Submit questions to Patrick by end of next week.

Adjourned at 1:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted, Jayne Niemi, Registrar