

GENERAL EDUCATION COMMITTEE

Wednesday, October 7, 2009

5:00 PM

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Members present: Mariano Magalhaes, Randall (Play-that-funky-music, white-boy) Hall, Anne Earel, Kristin Douglas, Tom Bengtson, Margaret Farrar, Karin Youngberg, Virginia Johnson, Fred Whiteside (with pizza), Lisa Seidlitz, Josh Morgan

AGENDA

I. MINUTES

Approval of September 30, 2009 meeting minutes: *The ineluctable modality of the epistolary was unsuccessfully concluded due to a paucity of material upon which to act.*

II. OLD BUSINESS

A. Learning Communities

1. Mike Egan and Becca Poock-Service Learning LCs: *Both presenters gave brief but helpful presentations on the ideas guiding service learning. It was hoped that service learning enterprises might even be allowed to count as a Learning Community, with the classroom teacher and the community organizer acting as the two teachers from different disciplines. It's important that community needs be identified within the community in question, not articulated first by the professor or students who will eventually become involved in the work. This type of course could be offered credit as a 3 credit course to which would be added 1 internship credit for the service learning part of the course work.*
2. Randall Hall-Co-curricular LCs: *I don't believe we got to this. If we did, I wasn't paying attention because I have no notes. Talk louder, Randall.*
3. Comments on Evergreen II draft: *See the Evergreen II document in this weeks meeting announcement.*

B. G suffix clarification: *Still unclear.*

III. NEW BUSINESS

Update from Academic Affairs

Margaret told us of a new Teagle grant (Teagle III) which will be used to develop high impact practices on several campuses. Such practices would include process writing, field experience, study abroad, student-faculty research, and so on.

IV. ANNOUNCEMENTS

V. ADJOURNMENT: *At 6:01.*

Seriously submitted,

Joe McDowell