Members Present: Chuck Booth, Ann Higginbotham, Sandy Brooks, Bob Wolf, Delar Singh

1. Review of minutes of 9/8/08 – accepted with date correction (Singh; Wolf)

2. Announcements, Reports and Correspondence
   Senate Executive Committee – Chuck will email Bill Salka regarding the two seats we need filled on the LAPC for this year (replacement for Nanette on sabbatical; new Senate rep)
   Curriculum Committee – Bob reported that two Economics courses already approved by LAPC will be coming back through Curriculum Committee and to LAPC, to avoid overlap with history courses.

Old Business

3. Resubmitted courses:
   ART 360 – approved (Singh; Wolf)
   AST 225 – tabled (Wolf; Higginbotham)

New Business

7. Temporary approval of EES 200 (Oceanography) for Fall 2008 – approved (Singh; Higginbotham)

10. Overriding Tier II prerequisites (which are Tier I courses) – Ann reported that student came to her as Dept. Chair from the registrar’s office to ask her to override the Tier I pre-req. to a Tier II course they were already taking. Chuck will bring this issue up at an implementation committee meeting – the consensus was that department chairs should not be overriding (nor should be put in a position to override) Tier I requirements for Tier II courses. Who should make this decision in dire cases – the LAPC?

9. Faculty forum on Tier III requirement – two sessions are set up: Thurs. 9/18 from 1-2:30, and Mon. 9/22 from 11-12:30. Discussion about what information we should provide. Chuck provided a handout on the goals for Tier III courses, and a draft idea of a history Tier III course – also some information about what other colleges do for a “capstone” experience previously compiled by the committee. Forum discussion can start from these documents, and hopefully attendees will have ideas or questions to discuss regarding Tier III. One idea was to add a reflective piece to an existing thesis project, such as for Honors theses, or other departmental theses. It should be emphasized that the Tier III goals should be central to the course, and not just “tacked on” to an existing course.

Adjourn (Wolf; Booth)

Minutes respectfully submitted by Sandy Brooks, 9/16/08
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