

## **LIBERAL STUDIES COMMITTEE**

### **Minutes**

November 19, 2004

Attendees: Blase Scarnati, Pat Muster, John Doherty, Laura Michael-Blocher, Rebecca Cole, Jeff Berglund, Cynthia Conn, Bruce Fox, Aregai Tecele, Dean Pielstick and Jack Ferrell

Absent: Karen Pugliesi, Gayle Houser, Margaret Conger, Eileen Mahoney, Marcia Metcalf, Anne Medill and Kapri Saunders

Guests: Gioia Woods and Federica Barbieri

#### **I. Welcome**

- The next meeting will take place on December 3, 2004
- Virginia Blankenship is the chair of the Faculty Senate Liberal Studies Review Committee
- The new director for the Office of Academic Assessment is Thomas Paradis
- Article distribution: *A Decade of Change in General Education*

#### **II. November 5, 2004 minutes approved**

#### **III. Summer Reading selections**

- The Summer Reading voting page is closed and Gioia Woods distributed the results
- Summer Reader subcommittee will meet in the early spring
- Committee discussion ensued to narrow the suggestions to three or four books for the LSC to read over the Christmas break.
- The committee voted and decided upon the following books to read over the break
  - *The Open Space of Democracy* by Terry Tempest Williams
  - *Beyond the One Hundredth Meridian* by Wallace Stegner
  - *No Parole Today/A Moment in My Life* by Laura Tohe/Rex Lee Jim
  - *Narrative of the Life of Frederick Douglass* by Frederick Douglass
- Gioia Woods will order the books and Pat Muster will contact committee members when the books arrive.

#### **IV. Syllabi Review Subcommittees**

- Committee voted to accept only electronic (email attachment) course submissions. The University Curriculum Committee has already adopted this policy.
- Blase explained the new syllabi review process that was distributed to members via email attachment. The new process is approved and will begin immediately.

Meeting adjourned at 4:15 PM