

LIBERAL STUDIES COMMITTEE

Minutes

February 10, 2006

Attendees: Jeff Berglund, David Best, Rebecca Cole, John Doherty, Jack Farrell (via phone), Bruce Fox, Dayle Hardy-Short, Louise Lockard, Anne Medill, Marcia Metcalf, Laura Michael-Blocher, Karen Pugliesi, Blase Scarnati (presiding), Anne Scott, David Sherry, and Aregai Teclé.

I. Welcome and introductions – Blase Scarnati

The Committee was welcomed and Anne Scott, the new Summer Reading Coordinator, was introduced.

II. Approval of minutes – All

November 18, 2005 minutes were approved.

III. Course review subcommittee reports – All

All course proposals submitted in Fall 2005 have been approved. Courses that were submitted over the winter break are now under review.

IV. Summer reading program recommendations – Anne Scott

Based on student and faculty feedback of *The Pact* from last summer, Anne Scott recommended that an alternative book be selected for Summer 2006 and she offered five suggestions. A motion to select another book for Summer 2006 was passed. Anne Medill, Laura Michael-Blocker, and Jeff Berglund will review the five books under consideration and report their recommendations to the Committee in the February 24, 2006 meeting.

V. Faculty Senate Liberal Studies Review Committee update – Blase Scarnati

The Faculty Senate Liberal Studies Review Committee will release their detailed recommendations on February 13, 2006. The Senate is scheduled to vote on them in March. We will discuss the recommendations in the February 24, 2006 meeting.

VI. Other

Karen Pugliesi reported that John Taylor of the Higher Learning Commission was on campus during the past few of days.

VII. Adjourn