

**LIBERAL STUDIES COMMITTEE**  
**Minutes**  
**February 15, 2008**

**Approved 2-29-08**

Attendees: Doug Brown, Jack Ferrell (via phone), Becky Garrison (via phone), Dayle Hardy-Short (presiding), James Leve, Louise Lockard, Eileen Mahoney, Shelly Pleasants, Vicki Ross, Blase Scarnati, Anne Scott, David Sherry, Aregai Tecele, and Todd Welch.

**I. Approval of minutes**

The February 1, 2008 minutes were approved.

**II. Summer Reading Program**

- A. Summer 2007: Anne Scott provided a handout which summarized findings from a survey that was taken by both students and facilitators of the 2007 summer reading program. In short, it was a success. It was well-attended and students and facilitators were well-prepared.
- B. Summer 2008: The book (A Long Way Gone: Memoirs of a boy soldier, by Ishmael Beah) will be distributed free to freshmen at their orientation session. Anne is putting together a faculty focus group to assist other faculty who might want to incorporate this book into their fall 08 courses. The author will be on campus in October 2008 for a talk and book-signing.

**III. Sophomore course proposal**

Blase Scarnati will email the syllabus to Dayle Hardy-Short this weekend and she will distribute it to the subcommittee, then to the entire liberal studies committee for discussion at the next (2-29-08) meeting.

**IV. Course reviews**

A. Approved as submitted

- ANT 206
- ANT 377
- ES 100

B. Approved with a request for minor revisions

- AIS 255, ES 255, WGS 255
- AIS 325, ES 325, WGS 325
- CCJ 385
- CCJ 395
- ES 160
- HIS 377
- HIS 384

C. Discussed but not approved: *Dept chairs will be asked to address particular issues before resubmitting their proposals*

- ANT 340
- CS 110
- DIS 303
- HIS 370

Adjourned

Remaining meetings this semester:  
Feb 29; Mar 14, 28; Apr 11, 25