

Minutes: CEPC meeting 11/9/00

Present: Charles Forsberg, Margaret O'Leary, Jim Dickson, Joseph Mbele, Steve Soderlind, David Lesniaski, Solveig Zempel, Angela Hoganson, Ellen Osthus, guests Eida Berrio, Alice Hanson, Lowell Johnson

1. CEPC approved the minutes of the October 19 meeting as submitted by Solveig Zempel.
2. CEPC approved the recommendation of the FOL subcommittee that a student petition for completion of the FOL requirement through the alternate route be granted.
3. CEPC approved the motion to grant an honorary degree as submitted by Alice Hanson, Chair of the Honorary Degrees Subcommittee.
4. Eida Berrio was invited to discuss with CEPC the relationship between curriculum and diversity. She provided members of the committee with articles to read in preparation for future discussions, and the committee discussed the issues of curriculum and diversity with Eida Berrio at some length.
5. The discussion with Chuck Huff on the paracollege review was postponed due to his illness.
6. The committee heard a report on the CCC conversation on class size and discussed the issues at some length. When we talk about class size we can use national comparisons as a catalyst to discussion, but in looking for solutions we must keep in mind the need to work from our own curricular goals, educational mission, and values. The next step is to spread the conversation about this issue more widely throughout the faculty.
7. Steve Soderlind reported that interim class offerings are slightly fewer than last year with about the same number of students. The sophomore class is likely to be particularly hard pressed. Steve will bring this issue up at open agenda time at the next faculty meeting.
8. CEPC approved the addition of course numbers 121-125 for ARMS to accommodate differing GE requirements covered by different sections of the same course.

CEPC will meet again on Thursday, November 16.

Solveig Zempel, Secretary