Minutes for the CEPP Meeting September 5, 2012

In attendance: Michael Arnush (chair), Beau Breslin, Rochelle Calhoun, Chris Kopec, Bill Lewis, Josh Ness, Peter von Allmen, and Benjamin Bechand, '14 and Emily Kowal, '13 (Student Representatives).

I. New members were introduced. It was noted that there is a faculty vacancy because Janet Casey’s was appointment as FYE Director moved from her from a faculty position to an administrative position. FEC will run a time-shortened Willigness-to-Serve to fill this vacancy.

II. Reports submitted from last year's subcommittees were reviewed. The Science Literacy group reported in May 2012 and its report has already been attached to CEPP’s 2011-2012 Annual Report. The Transition & Transformation report is still in draft form awaiting review of the data by institutional research. There was discussion regarding a review of the CEPP Operating Code to delete obsolete information, which Michael Arnush agreed to undertake.

II. Proposal to revise the Culture Centered Inquiry Requirement. CEPP reviewed the 2011-2012 history from multiple drafts, faculty meetings and forums to ultimate defeat of a motion at the May 2012 faculty meeting. Michael proposed a review of a potential new draft and discussion ensued about CEPP’S options: CCI could be dropped for the moment; the new draft could be reviewed with an eye toward possible adoption this academic year; or, CCI could be reviewed as part of a more comprehensive review, and possible overhaul, of the entire curriculum. One benefit of revising CCI this year would be that the DOF /VPPA would be able to more effectively allocate resources and hire staff to carry out the goals of the College. Alternatively, CCI could be folded into a more comprehensive review of all curricular requirements, although that would result in a significant delay in implementation of a revised CCI.

III. Discussion of other pending initiatives. There are several other pending issues from last year, including revision of the Dean’s Card, course caps, the Committee on Assessment and various issues raised by CAS. Discussion of these items was deferred to a future meeting.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:40 am.

Respectfully submitted,

Chris Kopec