CEPP Minutes

4/27/2016

In attendance: Erica Bastress-Dukehart, Addison Bennett, April Bernard, Amy Frappier (scribe), Kelly Sheppard (chair), Emma Starr

Not in attendance: Beau Breslin, Gail Cummings-Danson, Soyong Lee

1. Recent minutes were reviewed and approved.

2. CEPP discussed elements of the New Curriculum Proposal, including Close Reading and Writing, In the Major requirements, and the Senior Coda. We reviewed the >3 year history of the present Curricular Reform process. We reviewed the current proposal’s derivation from a process focused on data-driven adjustments to the existing curriculum, with a great deal of faculty input. We discussed driving values: intellectual courage, the freeing nature of liberal education, space for students to explore creativity and learn from failure, confidence in our increasingly able students, and strengthening faculty-student relationships. We reiterated some of the most important and distinctive new elements: a cleaner and more understandable curriculum, the Bridge Experience labs, and the integrative moments.

3. CEPP lamented and vented.

4. CEPP prepared for the New Curriculum Proposal introduction venture at Friday’s Faculty Meeting.

5. We discussed items for the agenda at the May retreat, including CEPP’s agenda for the upcoming semester.

Meeting adjourned 12:03 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Amy Frappier