

Women's Studies Committee Meeting
November 7, 2007
Heth Lounge C

Present: M. Atwell, I. Barland, M. Baker, C. Benjes Small, L. Carter Smith, R. Dickinson, L. Ellis, K. Ferguson, M. Ferrari, M. Ren, D. Thorpe, E. Webster Garrett

1. Moira called the meeting to order at 4:00pm.
2. Implications of proposed gen ed core on WMST 101/WMST program: Moira suggested that demand for WMST 101 is strong enough that students would take it even if it was not required. Both sections for Spring 2008 are full.
3. Area 5 assesment for WMST 101 is nearly complete, but we need a definition of numbers included in our rubric. Michele will draft some, Moira will revise. Moira distributed copies of the new exam, matrix, and rubric.
4. Moira distributed our new official syllabus for the WMST 101 class.
5. Program Review.
 - a. The Committee discussed possibilities for a mission statement; Erin suggested using some of the language that describes the WMST 101 course, other suggestions included adding citizenship and service learning.
 - b. We still need letters from faculty about how the program contributes to their teaching/scholarship.
 - c. Curriculum Analysis: Moira asked Michele to send a request to faculty for CVs.
 - d. Visibility: Moira asked faculty to provide information on any women's/gender studies related scholarship that they have done with students (conferences, presentations, workshops, research awards, etc.)
 - e. Reporting Structure: Should we set up an advisory committee to do business and have the rest of the committee meet only once a semester? Comments suggested that members were positive about this idea.
6. Women's Studies Faculty Lecture Series:
Wednesday, November 28, 3:00pm, Heth Lounge C. Moira Baker, Kristan Morrison, Rebecca Sheckler, Jolanta Wawrzycka, Erin Webster Garrett. "Women, Technology, and the University Classroom"
7. Women's History Month, Moira asked about funding from the CRJU club for Theresa Phelps, Candice suggested that the library may have funds for a speaker.

Meeting adjourned at 4:50 pm

Respectfully submitted,
Michele Ren