

Writing Intensive Committee: September 12th, 2011 5pm

Present: Gwendolyn Hale, Brook DiLauro, Joe Nicholas, Courtney Clayton, Mary Rigsby, Surupa Gupta

- Courtney Clayton will be Secretary of this committee
- Surupa Gupta is the Chair
- Surupa mentioned that we need to determine which forms people need to use for their proposals for WI courses. There used to be an ATC form on the website for WI, but it is no longer there. Gwen will check on this. All agreed that we need to be sure whatever forms people will use aligns with the new University structure. If the form is not needed, we would need to edit our proposal form that currently mentions the curriculum form.
- Gwen mentioned that we need to have/develop/determine learning outcomes for WI courses for assessment purposes. Gwen will work on putting these together and then will send them out to all committee members for review
- Gwen showed all committee members a text she had put together/written at her prior university. She said it gave students an idea of what good writing looks like in each discipline. Students would buy the book as a requirement at her former university. Part of the money from the purchase of the book would go in a fund for faculty for development.
- The committee agreed that Gwen should present it to each department to see what they think. She will get in touch with department chairs.
- Committee also agreed that it might be better to have this information posted on the UMW website rather than making students purchase a book for approximately \$56.
- Mary discussed Drexel writing assessment she participated in. She talked about how they approached the assessment as "writing about writing". Scorers came to score student papers.
- We discussed how papers had been reviewed, scored here at UMW. Gwen will check with Jane Gatewood as to how this was done in the past.
- We will be discussing WI proposals at the next meeting on September 28th.

Meeting adjourned at 5:30pm.