

Discovery Committee Minutes, November 2, 2011

Present: Barb White, Wayne Fagerberg, Michele Holt-Shannon, Tom Safford, Sean Moore, Bill Ross, Jing Wang, Steve Pugh, Kathie Forbes, Dennis Britton, Ihab Farag (Absent: Jessica Fruchtman, Rosemary Caron, David Richman, Lisa MacFarlane)

Next meeting: Wednesday, November 16, 2011

Motion: Ihab Farag moved and Dennis Britton seconded approval of the minutes of October 5, 2011. **Vote:** 6 yes, 0 no, 0 abstain. **Motion passed.**

The committee took the following action:

The following courses were approved in the categories/attributes listed:

UNHM

PS 407 – *Politics & Law in Contemporary Society* - SS

PS 507 – *Justice, Law & Politics* – Proposed for HP – Vote on HP: 0 yes, 6 no, 0 abstain

Provisionary vote on SS – pending confirmation from the home program/faculty person: 6 yes, 0 no, 0 abstain

PS 508 – *Supreme Court, Justice & Society* – HP

MATH 444 – *Excursions in Quantitative Reasoning* – INQ: Vote – 6 yes, 1 no, 1 abstain; QR: Vote – 6 yes, 1 no, 0 abstain – Passed.

The Committee discussed the following:

GEOG 473 DLAB online during J-Term –The key is whether it is a hands-on activity. We do allow for innovation as long as it meets the requirements (time, etc). One way to evaluate this is whether we would accept this if students were sitting in a computer lab versus sitting in their homes online. What's the difference? You have to give some leeway to the faculty person in this field to know what's best in their discipline. Barb will request further information from Prof Stampone.

Meeting adjourned 1:00pm