

GEA TASK FORCE
NOTES
April 8, 2008

I. Final Report Date Change

Tessie Bond informed the task force that date for presenting the final report to Dr. Green had been changed to May 5, 2008, 3:15 – 4:30, in room M CCS 462.

II. MAPP Report

Lynne Crosby reported that she and Karen Stearns would be accessing the ETS website to determine how the MAPP results were presented. Crosby added that once she and Stearns look at the data on the ETS website, they will determine and create the types of reports that we need for distribution.

III. DBCC Report

Crosby and Julie Giuliani reported on their trip to Daytona Beach Community College to attend a workshop on how to house, retrieve and report student learning outcomes. A discussion ensued as to how available systems could be used, the cost, the availability of College funds to purchase and sustain any given system, and concerns over need for expertise to tailor any system to FCCJ needs.

IV. Definitions

A. Information Literacy - adopted

B. Critical Thinking - adopted

C. Scientific and Quantitative Reasoning – The scientific portion of this definition was adopted. The quantitative portion of this definition needed revision and Matt Mitchell agreed to work on it and re-submit at the next meeting.

D. Global Sociocultural Responsibility – After much discussion, the task force did not reach consensus on the definition submitted for the group's adoption. It was agreed that Crosby and Giuliani would re-write portions of the definition to conform to suggestions made by the task force members. This definition will be re-submitted at the next meeting.

V. Group Leaders Reports on Rubrics Completion Process

Group leaders reported on the progress of completing the Communication rubrics. The group leaders also reported on the process itself noting that the faculty who had volunteered to write the levels of achievement had completed their work and had submitted the drafts for faculty review and recommendations. The leaders further reported that there had been little to no input from the faculty who had been advised that the rubrics were available for their comments and suggestions. The leaders were asked to send any final changes to the rubrics to Stearns who will update them and make them available to the task force prior to college wide distribution.

VI. March 27 Faculty Meeting

The task force members received copies of the group summaries, survey summary report, and evaluation summary report of the college wide March 27, 2008 meeting. Bond began the discussion on what from the March 27 meeting should be sent out to the faculty and academic administrators, the format, and interpretation if needed. Time began to run out and the task force reached no consensus on this issue.

VII. Meetings

Bond stated that the task force was going to have to meet on April 15 and 22 if it was to finalize the program for the college wide meeting scheduled for April 25. The task force members agreed and although some of the members said they would not be able to participate, it was decided to go ahead and schedule those meetings.

Bond also advised the task force that there would be a joint meeting with the GER Subcommittee on April 29 at which time the task force would present a preliminary, draft report containing the results of the GEA Task Force work in 2008 and recommendations for 2009. In addition to the April 29 meeting, Bond advised the task force that the last meeting for this year will be on May 5 when the task force presents its final report to Dr. Don Green.

VIII. The meeting was adjourned at 4:30 and Bond restated that the task force would meet again on April 15 to finalize the quantitative definition, the socio-cultural definition, the rubrics, what is to be sent out college wide to faculty and academic administrators, and to plan the April 25 meeting.