Improvement of Learning Committee
Meeting Minutes of Tuesday, March 6, 2012

Meeting convened at 4:00 p.m. in 1510 Ullsvik Hall.

Present
Marge Karsten, Rea Kirk, Yong Li, Leonida Ljumanovic, Colleen McCabe, Jeff Meyer (Student Senate), Tera Montgomery, Johnathan Predaina (Student Senate), Art Ranney (Provost’s Office), David Schuler, George Smith, Keith Thompson (chair), Joseph Wu

Agenda
1. Minutes of February 21 meeting approved as distributed.

2. Promotion of upcoming Teaching Excellence Award and Service Learning Award was briefly discussed.

3. Smith reported on activities of the Teaching & Learning Center.

4. Thompson provided an update on the Campus Read initiative.

5. Schuler & Ljumanovic took over as co-chairs to direct discussion of Curriculum Improvement Fund (CIF) grant recommendations. (Thompson stepped down as chair during this discussion because of his connection with one of the CIF proposals.) Seven of eight proposals were recommended for funding by the CIF subcommittee; there were no proposals for the Scholarship of Teaching & Learning (SoTL) subcategory.

   In an effort to fund development of Writing Emphasis courses, six of the CIF proposals had funding reduced by (a total of) $3,000. McCabe moved (second by Smith) to redirect these CIF funds to WE course development. Motion passed unanimously.

   Subsequent discussion on funding of WE course development hinged on UUCC discussion of this issue the following day (March 7, 2012).

Meeting adjourned at 4:17 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
George Smith, Secretary Du Jour