Secretary: Rebecca Root (substituting for Kristin Kenneavy)

1. Approve minutes

Motion to approve minutes. Seconded. Minutes approved.

2. Faculty Assembly President's Report (Jim Morley)

- a. At the Board of Trustees meeting, that Governor's Task Force on Higher Ed has announced there will be no cuts in higher ed funding and no tuition caps, hence no jobs are at immediate risk.
 - b. FAEC has been talking to Provost Barnett to talk about the issue of 3 hour classes, and will get back to Faculty Assembly about this in future.
 - c. The Task Force on SBR under Sam Mustafa is getting going.
 - d. Deliberations about winter break and deadline for grades continue. At some point, there will be open discussion at Faculty Assembly on this question. A schedule task force may be called for.
 - e. The Faculty Governance Review Committee is working on proposed amendments to the by laws. This will be discussed at the next Faculty Assembly. Jim notes there is a major problem of low faculty turnout and effect on validity of votes, as well as weakening the faculty voice. It is especially important that faculty vote on the amendments to the bylaws.
 - f. FAEC needs input from faculty regarding the Faculty Conference Days in May.
 - g. Reminder that we are very close to probation from Middle States and so we need to act expeditiously and decisively in order to meet the demands of Middle States, including on the topic of assessing the Course Enrichment Component.

3. College Wide Assessment Committee Report (Eric Daffron)

- a. This past Fall, the college launched its new assessment efforts by asking for learning outcomes, curriculum maps, and assessment plans for two or more outcomes as part of 2 3 year assessment cycle. Nearly 100% of programs on campus submitted all three of these documents.
- b. Every program is actively engaged this spring in implementing assessment.
- c. By June 1, all programs must submit their assessment reports stating their findings as well as what they plan to do with the data. There are various levels of support and feedback from different sources. He applauds the work of CWAC.

4. GECCO Report (Rob Mentore)

- a. GECCO has collected 200 papers from across Gen Education, 100 from first year and 100 from non first year at the 200 and 300 level. They are now being scored; all scores should be in over spring break, at which point GECCO will its begin data analysis.
- b. GECCO would also like to implement a syllabus audit for the same

program proposal may be found on the <u>ARC website</u>. The proposed minor utilizes existing courses in sociology, law and society, and psychology. ARC supports this new program.

ii. Motion to approve. Moved and seconded.

iii. Total Faculty Voting N = 89 88.76 % yes ii. Motion to amend #1 (Jill Weiss): Section 4 specifies that approval of dean is necessary to offer online courses. Jill notes what courses faculty offer is not usually a question

Total Faculty Voting N = 82 19.51 % yes 69.51 % no 10.98 % abstain Motion fails.

xiv. Discussion of Amendment 2. Emma Rainforth proposes simply striking any requirement that faculty demonstrate student interest in any course. This isn't necessary because courses without sufficient interest (ie. enrollment) will be canceled.

xv. Motion to extend time. Seconded.

xvi. Vote to extend time.
Total Faculty Voting N = 70
50 % yes
50 % no
Motion fails.

xvii. Vote on Amendment 2 to online manual: Total Faculty Voting N = 74 59.46 % yes 29.73 % no 10.81 % abstain Motion to amend carries.

xvi. Vote on Amendment 1 to online manual: Total Faculty Voting N = 70 61.43 % yes 28.57 % no 10 % abstain Motion to amend carries.

xvii. Vote on online manual as amended:
Total Faculty Voting N = 74
73.97 % yes
12.16 % no
14.86 % abstain
Motion to approve online manual as amended carries.

d. Discussion item Course Enrichment Component Policy and Procedures (CEC) (Emma Rainforth)

i. ARC is charged with drafting policy based on the Design Team's report. Their policy proposal was presented to unit councils last week, and will be voted on by the Faculty Assembly on March 23. It is time sensitive because of Middle States, which requires that the policies be in place by the end of Spring 2011 semester.

ii. Feedback on <u>Policy and series of Procedures</u> (available on the ARC website) should be