

CEPP 1 October 2002

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- 1) Approval of minutes
- 2) Assessment of core curriculum
 - a) PF: program already underway in Dean of Faculty's office by Sarah Goodwin (assessment discussions began under Dean Roth)
 - b) Can we help facilitate the discussion of core curriculum?
 - c) PO will locate material pertinent to assessment in the Middle States Report
 - d) RR: faculty role in these discussions important
- 3) Proposal for split of Chemistry-Physics into two new departments
 - a) PF: CEPP's role in the creation a new department
 - b) CJ: request CFG to rule on the procedure
 - c) PF: Initiators can bring proposal to the faculty floor themselves
 - d) We need to report the existence of this proposal at the faculty meeting (*FH*, p 136) and work with the initiators about when the proposal will be presented to the college faculty
 - e) CEPP must arrange for a faculty information meeting.
 - f) JB (PF unavailable) will announce the existence of the proposal according to *Faculty Handbook* (Section XVI. –A)
- 4) Faculty Evaluations
 - a) CJ: Dean's meeting with CAPT re how to get better information on faculty effectiveness
 - b) CAPT recommended that this go to CEPP for recommendations.
 - c) CAPT now wants to put this on hold.
 - d) CJ suggests that we put this into a larger agenda of evaluation of students and faculty.
 - e) RR: this is not an assessment issue. Assessment is an aspect of program, not faculty performance.
 - f) Discussion: This is a CAPT issue; power and responsibility of students unrecognized by students; student origins of evaluation process; we provide no orientation for students on how to evaluate and the importance of their evaluations; junior faculty are largely unaware of how the importance of the evaluations; evaluation of the faculty member vs. the evaluation of the course
 - g) CJ: Kate Levitt (LS Coordinator) considering revising the LS forms

5) Student representatives

- a) Nick Merrill will be one of our permanent student members. SGA is selecting the other student soon. AK will no longer be on CEPP.

6) Distance Learning

- a) JB has sent out the proposal to chairs, program directors, and others and expects responses by 24 October.
- b) CJ: Northeast Deans have sent responses about what they're doing. Some are not accepting transfer credits, some are accepting...

7) Vision

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