

CEPP Meeting — March 2, 2005

Present: Molly Appel, Meghan Fair, Hugh Foley, Matt Hockenos, Chuck Joseph, Ruth Andrea Levinson, Pat Oles, Ray Rodrigues, Paty Rubio, Linda Simon, Gordon Thompson (Chair)

Minutes:

CEPP approved minutes for 2/16/05 and 2/23/05.

Chair's Comments:

GT said that the issues raised by CEPP (e.g., diversity) were still being discussed on IPC. The change in status of Jack Ling's position seemed worth discussing as well. IA is pressing for a Director of International Studies. The Strategic Plan addresses the issues of diversity and international studies, but has no implementation plan.

Writing Requirement Proposal:

- Based on an array of feedback, GT felt that there was not a lot of support for the proposal.
- LS thought that with three options, it's not clear where opposition might be directed.
- MA talked about the importance of writing from a student perspective.
- PO asked what the benefits of the current proposal might be.
- LS argued that other colleges focus on writing across a student's career (e.g., Stanford). The proposal illustrates the college's stake in developing students' writing skills.
- MH pointed out that the proposal was also a statement that writing can and is taught across the curriculum.
- HF argued for the importance of establishing an administrative structure for implementation of ~~writing requirement, with~~ LS agreeing that a Writing Board is needed.
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- PO observed that we need some kind of structure to deliver any writing requirement.
- GT talked about some political aspects of