Liberal Studies Committee Minutes October 18, 2007 3:30 p.m. Clark Hall 317

Present: M. Sadler, Y. Asamoah, E. Auvil, M. Browne, D. Pistole, F. Slack, T. Wacker, B.G. Wilson, C. Zoni, M. Hildebrandt

Excused: S. Reid M. Swinker

Guest: Dr. Bradley Rives

Minutes of the October 11, 2007 meeting were approved with minor corrections on a Wacker/Hildebrandt motion.

The committee reviewed and discussed with Dr. Rives the revised Type I Writing Intensive proposal. On a Wilson/ Asamoah motion, the committee approved Type I Professor Commitment writing status for Dr. Bradley Rives, Philosophy Department.

Reviewed a course revision from the Math department for MATH 115 Applied Mathematics for Business; the revised course (credits, content, catalog description, and prerequisites) is earmarked to continue as a choice in the Mathematics category and as an addition to the Liberal Studies Elective category. There was discussion about how the criteria for including the perspectives and contributions of women and minorities can be accomplished in this course. The department asked for an exemption from the requirement for a non-textbook reading. On another issue, the rationale for including this course as a LSE was not clear. Sadler agreed to discuss these issues with the Math department chair. On a Asamoah/Pistole motion, provisional approval was granted. Note added: the department has decided that there is not a good reason for this course to be included in the LS Elective category, and therefore they have withdrawn this section of the request.

Meeting adjourned at 4:25 on a Wilson/Wacker motion