University Core Development Committee
Tuesday, January 31, 2006
Gasson 105, 9.00 a.m.

Minutes

Present were: Chair, Richard Cobb-Stevens, Clare Dunsford (Associate Dean, A&S), Patrick Byrne (Philosophy), Catherine Read (Nursing), Timothy Duket (A&S Honors Program), Clare O’Connor (Biology), Dennis Sardella (Chemistry), Alec Peck (Education), Paul Spagnoli (History).

At this initial meeting we fixed the agenda for the Spring semester as follows:

February 21:  Meeting with representatives of the physical science department to discuss the updating of our earlier report on the status of core courses in Biology, Chemistry, Geology and Earth Science, and Physics.

March 21: A final discussion of the proposed course from the Department of Computer Science

April 18: A review of procedures for approving new proposals. Up to this point, we have been communicated about such proposals by email, but several members of the committee have suggested that it might be more effective to set aside one meeting per semester to discuss viva voce the merits of each proposal.

Submitted by Richard Cobb-Stevens