

University Core Development Committee  
Tuesday, November 29, 2005  
Gasson 105, 9.00 a.m.

### Minutes

Present were: Chair, Richard Cobb-Stevens, Ourida Mostefai (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)

We reserved this time for an extensive evaluation of the syllabi of the core courses in the natural sciences. Several members of the committee are concerned that some of the recommendations set forth in our earlier report on these programs may be outdated.

We decided, therefore, to send that report once again to the chairs and/or undergraduate directors of the natural science departments, asking them to review our recommendations and to inform us about the current status of these courses. We will organize a meeting with David McFadden, Marc Muskavitch, Alan Kafka, and Kevin Bedell early next semester.

Submitted by Richard Cobb-Stevens